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COMMENT OF THE DAY

City Hall Financing

THE City Hall Advisory Committee covered some important new ground at their last meeting, and with the creation of sub-committees to deal with such matters as a library, museum, art gallery, theatre, orchestra, publicity and finance, Government can expect some useful suggestions to be forthcoming in due course. The advisory committee's conception of the scope of the amenities which the City Hall should provide reflects popular opinion, and anything short of that target would cause no small measure of dissatisfaction. Not to be overlooked, however, are the hard realities of continuous financing once the project is completed. The subject calls for careful consideration. The ideal would be for the civic centre to be self-supporting, but it is highly doubtful whether this could be attained. Very few municipal centres in England fully pay for their own maintenance and much of the operating costs have to be borne by the local rates. Nevertheless it should be possible to evolve a system of raising revenue directly from the amenities which the City Hall will provide without making too severe demands on the pockets of the public. Government will almost certainly have to subsidise maintenance of the centre, but the objective must be to avoid demands on the Treasury that would make it necessary for Government to recover the expenditure by increased direct taxation.

The Allies Reply

THE replies of Britain, France and the United States to the Soviet note concerning the future of Germany are concise, realistic and firm. They embrace the Russian suggestion for new four-power discussions, but very properly insist that the terms of reference shall be clear and shall be abided by. In essence the three Western Powers proposals are that talks on the unification of Germany should be held provided the Russians are agreeable to the holding of free elections in both zones; that an impartial commission be created to investigate necessary conditions for free elections; and that after an all-German Government has been elected, it shall possess full rights to freedom of action prior to a peace treaty becoming effective. On this basis the Western Allies believe that talks directed to the unification of Germany could be fruitful. Russia's reaction will determine once and for all whether she is sincere in her expressed desire to see the German peace treaty problem resolved, or whether her recent overtures were designed only for propaganda purposes. The Allies' conditions for four-power talks are fundamentally essential, bearing in mind the facade which the Russians made of previous discussions. The Kremlin has announced its desire to help bring unity to Germany. Substance can now be given to the sentiment by Soviet willingness to meet at the round table and subscribe to an agenda which allows for no injection of irrelevant issues. Granted this, it would be reasonable to anticipate tangible and positive results from the proposed conference.

Three-Power Reply To Russian

Note On Germany

CONDITIONS STATED FOR DISCUSSIONS

Free Elections Demand

London, May 13. The United States, Britain and France today told Russia they will join the four-power talks on unifying Germany if the Kremlin first agrees to free all-German elections.

Further, the Western Allies rejected the Soviet suggestion of a neutralised Germany linked with neither East nor West.

In almost identical notes, the Western Allies also asserted any all-German government must really be free — even before a peace treaty is signed.

The 1,750-word replies were delivered in Moscow on Monday. Their aim was to kill off any Russian attempt to pose as the principal champion of German unity.

The Western Allies said they are ready to begin negotiations "as soon as it is clearly apparent that it is also the intention of the Soviet government to avoid the fruitless discussions of the past."

The note also pointed out that "a careful preparation is necessary to succeed and avoid interminable talks."

Presumably this point was made to avoid any repetition of the Big Four Foreign Ministers' session in Paris last year, where the discussion on an agenda for a Foreign Ministers meeting dragged on for four months without success.

Specifically the Western Allies proposed to Russia:

1. An impartial commission should immediately determine whether conditions necessary for free elections exist in east and west Germany and Berlin and if not say what should be done to create them.

2. The West did not outline these conditions. Presumably they meant such things as proper redistribution of powers, freedom to campaign and a secret ballot.

3. The four powers should use a United Nations commission "as the quickest and most practical" for this investigation. Russia already has turned down this suggestion.

4. The Western Allies also are willing "to consider any other practical and precise proposals for an impartial commission of investigation which the Soviet government may wish to put forward."

They attached the condition that such Soviet proposals should be "likely to promote the early holding of free elections throughout Germany."

UNNECESSARY

The three notes were similar and had been prepared through long discussion which centred in London during the past two weeks. The French note, making reference to the Russian proposal that a unified Germany should not be linked with any grouping of powers aimed at any other power, emphasised that German membership in the United Nations would make this provision unnecessary.

"As soon as the report of such an impartial commission is available, representatives of the United Kingdom, United States, France and Soviet governments would meet to consider it, with a view of reaching agreement on:

(a) The early holding of free elections throughout Germany, including the creation where necessary of the appropriate conditions.

(b) The assurances to be given by the four powers that the all-German government, formed as the result of these free elections, will have the necessary freedom of action during the period before the peace treaty comes into effect."

Russia began the exchange on German unity and a peace treaty with a note to the three Western Powers on March 10. The West

replied ten days later and Russia sent a further note on April 9. Western diplomats thought the Soviet move was a measure of Moscow's alarm at the approaching entrance of West Germany into the European Defence Community.

The idea of a unified Germany has a compelling appeal to all Germans—both eastern and western. To many in West Germany Russia's call for unity looked more attractive than a line-up with Western Europe which might keep Germany divided for years to come.

The Western Allies still are not sure whether Russia has the limited objective of hampering the rearmament of West Germany or now is ready to bargain sincerely on German unity.

SHARP TEST

These latest Western notes are a sharp and clear test of Russia's sincerity.

Russia originally suggested a neutralised Germany with limited armed forces and recognition of the German borders set up by the Potsdam protocol.

The Western Allies declared in their latest reply: "They cannot admit that Germany should be denied the basic right of a free and equal nation to associate itself with other nations for peaceful purposes. They must assume that the Soviet government likewise cannot object to Germany's right to enter into defensive agreements."

The Western Allies said they will not be deflected from their support of free Western European Community including West Germany.

"A German peace treaty can be worked out only if there is an all-German government formed as a result of free elections and free to participate in full freedom in the discussion of such a treaty," the Western Allies said.

"It is therefore not possible to hold discussion now about the provisions of a German peace treaty."

The Western Allies made it clear they wanted no puppet all-German government, saying:

"The all-German government resulting from free elections must itself be free."

Such freedom is essential both before and after a peace treaty has been negotiated.

FREE ELECTIONS

As for free elections, they said:

"In recent years the eastern part of Germany has evolved in a direction increasingly divergent from the main path of German progress. This is a principal reason why an impartial inquiry is needed before elections can take place."

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Susan Thomas weighed only 25 ozs at birth. At a Wimbledon hospital she was kept alive by a bottle of oxygen a day. Now she is living at home like a normal baby. Now she weighs 6lbs at three months—this is the average weight of a newborn baby. — London Express Photo.

Rioting By Yale University Students

New Haven, May 13. Rioting broke out among an estimated 1,600 Yale students near historic Central Green today.

Five undergraduates were arrested and taken to police headquarters before the demonstrators were forced behind the campus gates by high-powered fire-hoses and clubs.

After battling the students for nearly two hours, 40 policemen finally got them off the streets and under control.

The police said: "This is a mob and we are treating them as such."

Several of the arrested youths were smeared with blood.

The outbreak started when a police officer forced a mobile ice-cream cart to move out of a parking spot on Elm Street where many of the older Yale buildings are located. Soon afterwards, another ice-cream cart moved into the parking space and the officer ordered it away also.

By this time, students began peering and throwing pillows and bags of water out of dormitory windows.

As word spread through the campus, hundreds of students congregated and set off firecrackers. — United Press.

MAN BITES A SNAKE

Melbourne, May 13.

A man here bit a seven-foot carpet snake after the snake had bitten him and drawn blood. The incident occurred in a hotel bar.

A car salesman dropped his pet snake, Algy, on the bar counter. Other drinkers backed hastily away.

A cartage contractor, Jack Rayner, picked the snake up. "You bite me, you cool and I'll bite you back," he told it.

The snake bit and Rayner retaliated.

"He hurt me more than I hurt him, but I made him wriggle," said Rayner as he went to hospital for an injection. — Reuters.

Three Fatalities In Plane Crash

Rio de Janeiro, May 13.

Three people were killed when an airliner with 18 passengers and four crew on board crashed while trying to force-land outside Sao Paulo today.

The 19 who survived were all hurt.

The plane belonged to a Sao Paulo airline company.

The pilot and two passengers were killed. — Reuters.

Adventurers Seek Diamonds Fortune

Rio de Janeiro, May 13.

Rival groups of adventurers are pushing through the swampy Brazilian jungle towards the wreckage of an American Airways strato-cruiser in the hope of grabbing a fortune in diamonds and jewellery, rumoured to be on board, before an official salvage team arrives.

An urgent cable for paratroops to be sent to the area to avert serious disorder has come from an advance rescue party of parachutists who landed near the wreck, according to a Rio evening newspaper.

The parachutists reported the presence of savages in the densely forested country where the strato-cruiser, "Good Hope", crashed on April 29 with 59 people on board. They sent out a call for trade goods to pacify the Indians.

Three parachutists had the task of preparing a landing space for helicopters and if possible a landing strip for light monoplanes.

But about 1,000 opportunists are now estimated to be converging on the spot in many hastily organised expeditions.

The rumours that the plane carried diamonds and jewellery are unconfirmed, but before they took off for the scene the parachutists in the advance

Japan Seeking To Join UN

New York, May 13.

The Japanese government is to apply for United Nations membership, Foreign Office official, Mr. Amira Miyazaki, said today.

The application will be placed before the current session of Parliament and, if approved, will be forwarded to UN headquarters in New York, he added.

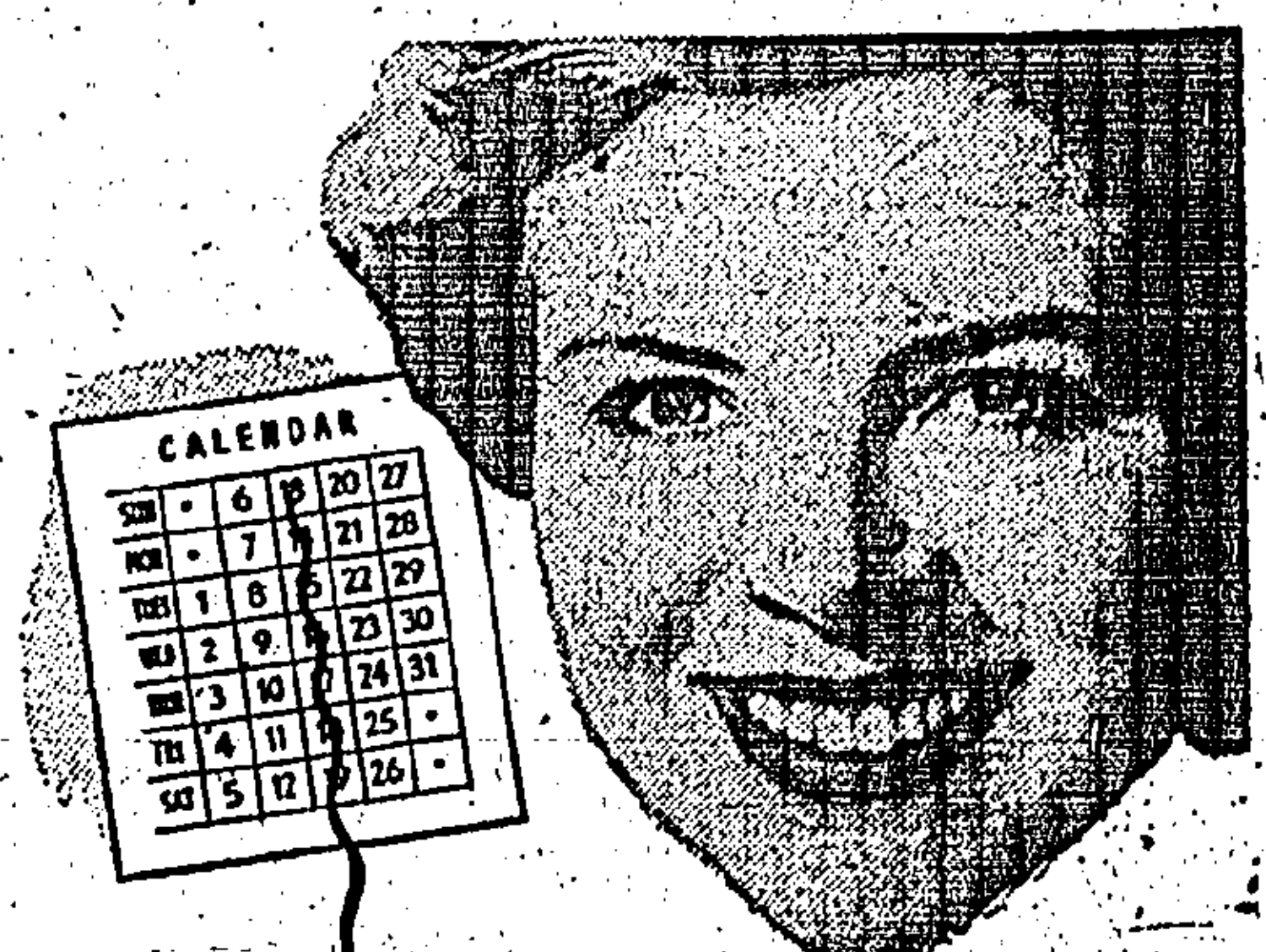
Miyazaki said his government expects all nations who signed the Japanese peace treaty to support the application.

Russia, who did not sign and has not recognised Japan's independence, is expected to veto the application. — Associated Press.

Remains Of Ancient City Found

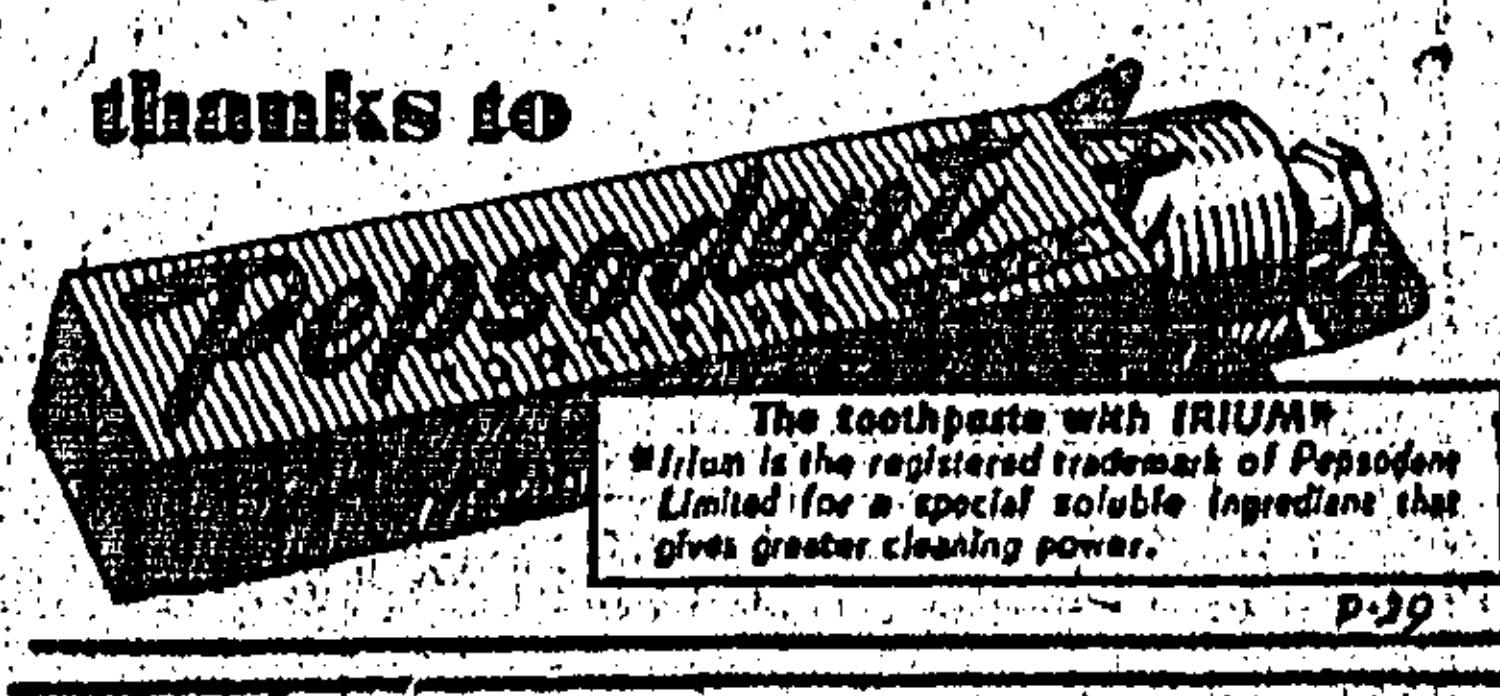
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Reign Of Terror In Sardinian Town

Cagliari, Sardinia, May 13.

A tale of terror and mysterious death filtered down today from the mountain town of Orgosolo, where 13 persons were reported dead from violence since a "death list" of 36 names was posted on the local Cathedral two years ago.

Press reports said that the reign of terror began in April, 1950, when a list of names appeared mysteriously one night on the facade of Orgosolo Cathedral. Each name was followed by the label "spy" or "traitor".

The secretary of the local community ordered the list to be covered with whitewash. A few days after this was done the secretary was killed. Since then 12 persons whose names were on the list have been killed, including a woman, a black-

smith, a barber as well as the wife of the bandit Giovanni Battista Liandra. The most recent victim was a shepherd named Giuseppe Secci who was found shot to death outside the town last week. — United Press.

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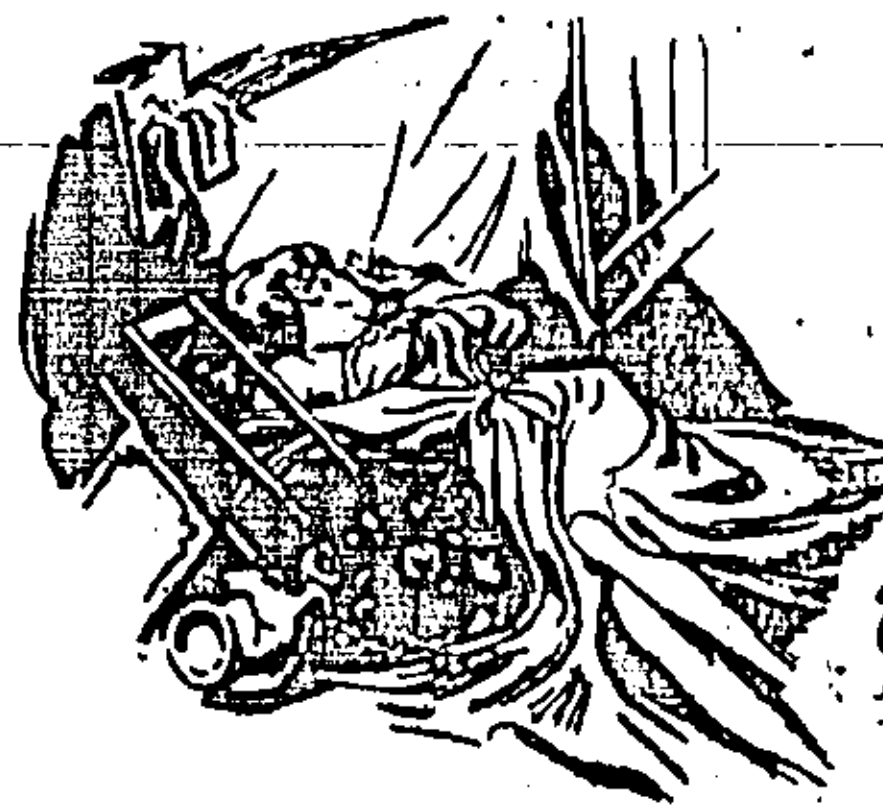
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To Seek Out Master Minds Of Crime

Birmingham, May 13.
E. J. Dodd, Chief Constable of Birmingham, disclosed in his annual report today the formation of a special crime squad of selected detectives to seek out "master minds" responsible for the more serious class of crime who, he reported, had been operating so far with very satisfactory results.

Mr. Dodd said that Indian hemp trafficking in Birmingham had "made itself felt" and could easily be a menace especially to young girls who frequent dance halls and cafes and unwisely accept cigarettes which had an injurious and stupefying effect.

The report stated that a new peak of 16,653 detectable crimes was recorded in Birmingham compared with 11,875 in 1950. — *Reuter.*

Nurenberg Murder Trial

Nurenberg, May 13.
In the same courtroom where an International Court convicted Germany's top Nazi war criminals, a young American soldier went on trial before a U.S. military court today on charges of murdering two Germans.

Many in the historic chamber were friends and relatives of the victims. Official American vehicles brought them to see U. S. justice in action and how the American Army tries to curb soldiers' offences against Germans.

The defendant was Private John F. Vigenault, 19, who faces a possible death sentence if convicted of the April 10 slayings which aroused wide public protest.

Two other defendants at the start of the case were Private Richard A. Hagelberger, 19, and Private Robert T. Mierzwik, 20. Hagelberger and Mierzwik will be tried later.

Although Mierzwik was not present at the time of the killings, an Army announcement said investigation showed he is definitely involved and all three are charged jointly with murder.

They are also accused of stealing the victims' car.

CARBINE USED

The slain Germans were Karl Eckart, 56-year-old businessman, and Lothar Schlosser, 26, who exhibited films sponsored by the U.S. High Commission as part of its campaign to develop friendly German-American relations.

A German police report gave this version of the slayings: Eckart and Schlosser were shot with an Army carbine after giving Vigenault a ride in their car.

Schlosser was shot in the back of the head after the car stopped on a lonely road and Eckart, the driver, was apparently killed as he attempted to flee.

Their bodies were found by the roadside. After the shootings, Vigenault and Hagelberger sped off with the German car but deserted it after colliding with another vehicle.

The two soldiers were caught a few hours later by military and German police after a wild chase. Mierzwik was arrested several days later.

A court of 14 officers is trying the case. All are from the U.S. Fourth Infantry Division, of which the accused are also members. — *Associated Press.*

FRENCH LEGION SUCCESS

Salon, May 13.
French Union troops counted 32 dead Vietnamese troops after a clash in the Buechubaut area South of the Red River delta in Tonkin province, French military headquarters announced today.

The clash occurred when French Legion troops attacked well entrenched regular Vietnamese forces supported by regional troops in a village 23 kilometres South East of Nondak.

French losses were not given. — *France-Press.*

US Government Winds Up Case In Hearings On Steel Seizure

Philadelphia, May 13.

The Solicitor-General, Mr. Philip Perlman, told the Supreme Court when it resumed hearings on the legality of President Truman's seizure of the steel industry today that the industry had failed entirely to show that any irreparable injury would result from the seizure.

He said that the industry's fears were fantastic.

Mr. Perlman was winding up the Government's plea for a reversal of the decision of a Federal court ruling that the President's action was unconstitutional.

It was the second and final day of oral arguments before the court.

It was not known when the court would announce a decision.

The court allowed Mr. Perlman to exceed the two and a half hours allotted him for argument in order to question him.

In reply to a question Mr. Perlman said that the Government proposed changes in working conditions in the steel industry and this was the only tangible basis for the industry's fears.

Asked about the Taft-Hartley law, Mr. Perlman said, "If you

Japanese Interest In U.N.

United Nations, May 13.
The United States and West German Governments have expressed interest in the collective measures programme of the United Nations, it was learned from United Nations quarters today.

The Governments were answering an appeal issued following a resolution which called on United Nations member States to consider what contribution in the economic and other fields they could make to the collective measures plan devised by the United Nations.

The Japanese Foreign Minister informed the United Nations Secretary-General that his Government would consider the ways and means in which it could contribute most effectively to United Nations' collective action if need be.

The West German Government asked the Secretary-General what steps should be taken by States which are not members of the United Nations towards carrying out the United Nations' resolution.

The Collective Measures Committee, which deals with the issues, is to convene on Thursday at United Nations' headquarters. — *France-Press.*

Japanese Government Worried

Tokyo, May 13.

The Japanese Government is seriously concerned over the recent decline in special demand orders from the US Forces in Japan.

The Ministry of International Trade and Industry believes that the decline has occurred because the American forces in Japan are importing goods from outside Japan.

Last December witnessed the highest amount of special orders amounting to \$38,830,000. This decreased to \$9,409,000 in April.

Metal goods showed the only increase with \$5,780,000 worth of orders in March compared with \$1,677,000 in January.

Textile goods, on the other hand, decreased from \$10,000,000 to \$208,000 during the same period. Sundry goods also decreased from \$3,589,000 to \$95,000. — *France-Press.*

NEW NEHRU CABINET UNCHANGED

New Delhi, May 13.

The Indian Prime Minister's new Ministry, published here last night, showed that all important Ministers would retain the same jobs in the new Cabinet.

Of the total of 19 Ministers, 16 belong to the Congress Party and three are Independents who affiliated themselves to the Congress programme during the elections.

Thus, no change is to be expected in the new Government's policy as it is in fact a continuation of the previous Ministry.

The Congress Party has an enormous majority in Parliament, allowing it to make all legislative decisions desired.

Mr. Nehru remains Prime Minister and Foreign Minister and thus Indian home and foreign policy will for the next five years follow the broad lines of the previous four years in spite of the first tangible Communist and extreme right opposition since the Indian Republic came into being. — *France-Press.*

Proposed Memorial To Late King

London, May 13.

A plan to turn some of England's stately homes, which their owners can no longer afford to maintain, into schools for Commonwealth students as a memorial to King George the Sixth has been proposed by a New Zealand businessman.

The suggestion is one of hundreds received by the Lord Mayor of London, Sir Leslie Boyce.

A public meeting has been called for Thursday this week to appoint a committee to organise a memorial fund and decide on the project best fitted to commemorate the King.

A fund of £600,000, raised for a memorial to King George the Fifth was used to provide playing fields throughout Britain.

The Commonwealth in Britain schools plan is suggested by Mr. Frank Luke in a letter to the Lord Mayor from New Zealand. — *Reuter.*

JOURNALISTS TO MEET

Paris, May 13.

Leading journalists from 23 countries will gather here tomorrow for the first annual general assembly of the International Press Institute.

The conference will hear formal reports on all aspects of international journalism and informally discuss common problems and exchange ideas.

Guest speakers at luncheons during the three-day conference will include M. Robert Schuman, the French Foreign Minister. — *Reuter.*

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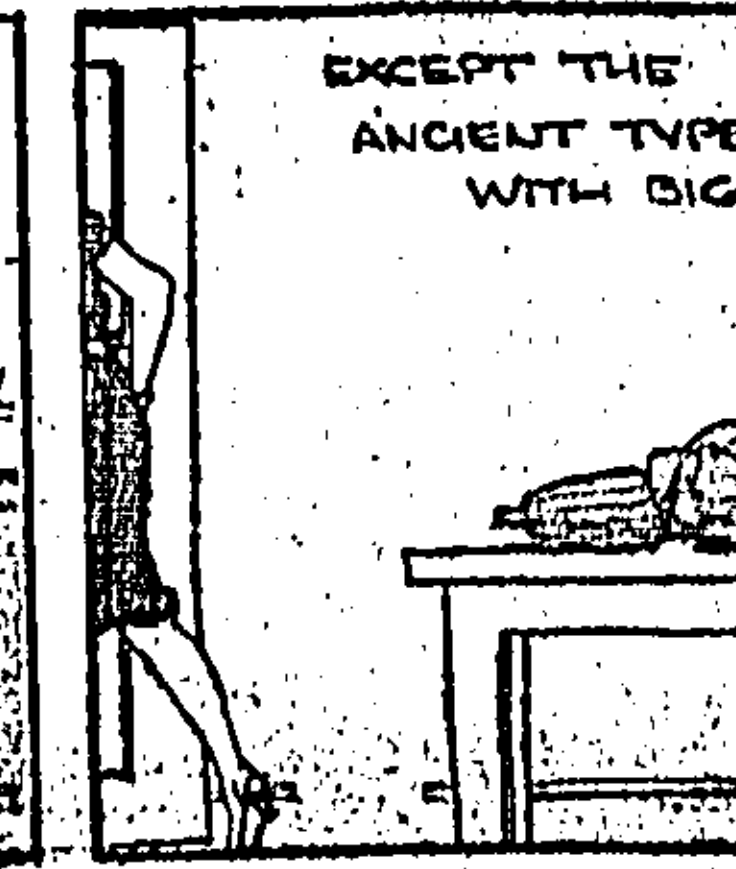
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Pro-Taft Vote Expected

PROSPECTS IN VIRGINIA

Richmond, Va., May 13. West Virginians polled today in a Republican primary election in which Senator Taft is expected to win all 16 delegates.

General Eisenhower is not on the popularity ballot but his supporters are asking voters to write "Ike" across the names of Taft and Harold Stassen on the ballot. These "Ike" votes would not count but they would invalidate the papers.

General Eisenhower's State campaign leader, Phil Hill, said that the election of one Eisenhower delegate would be a victory for the General and the election of two Eisenhower delegates would be a considerable accomplishment. There was no Democratic preference voting today. The Democrats will choose 20 delegates at a later convention of local leaders.

Yesterday's Republican delegate election in Wyoming and Rhode Island showed the count of delegates to the national presidential convention at Chicago to be:

Senator Taft 349
General Eisenhower 300
David Ingalls, National Chairman of the "Taft For President" Committee, said that Senator Taft's "overwhelming victory in Wyoming" furnishes further proof of his great popularity in the mountain States which were lost by Thomas E. Dewey, Governor of New York, in 1948.

In Washington today Senator Taft said he believed that less than 100 delegates would still be uncommitted when the Republican convention opens in Chicago on July 7.

Mr. Stassen predicted that the Republicans would nominate Earl Warren, Governor of California, in the event of a deadlock between General Eisenhower and Senator Taft at the Chicago convention.

Mr. Stassen had previously considered himself the most likely compromise choice in such a deadlock, but he added yesterday that he had ruined his chances by using "stop Taft" tactics.

Tuna Import Tariff

Washington, May 13. The Senate Finance Committee, recommending the passage of a Bill imposing a three cents per pound duty on fresh tuna imports, said that the tariff would be only regulatory.

The Committee approved the Bill last week and Chairman Walter George filed the group's report today.

It said that the proposed tariff was by no means prohibitory.

It added that the duty may, in fact, tend to help eliminate serious fluctuations in imports.

ZAIBATSU MAKING A COMEBACK IN JAPAN

Portugal Sees Flying Saucer

Lisbon, May 13. A shining "Flying Saucer" seen today over Alcobaca, about 50 miles north of Lisbon, was cigar shaped and flying northwards, trailing a smoke track, according to reports reaching here.

Two "Flying Saucers" were reported last night flying across French Morocco in a west-east direction.

These were said to have left greyish, misty trails behind them.—Reuter.

Millionaire Faces Court Martial

Pearl Harbor, May 13. A Navy prosecutor told a court martial that wealthy seaman Bruce S. Hopping tried to get fleet regulations changed to fit his case.

The millionaire lumber executive is charged with conspiring to complain against Navy discipline and with trying to publicly discredit his superior officers.

The trial is an outgrowth of the manner in which Hopping, a reservist, complained about the Navy system which he says is riddled with "brass-bound" inequality.

Cmdr. Richard J. Slemmon, the prosecutor, told the court Hopping used fellow crewmen on the USS Recliner in an effort to discredit his commanding officer, Lieutenant Marion C. Kilpatrick.

Kilpatrick testified that Hopping joined the salvage ship on December 31, 1951, "after she had been changed from a relic of World War II into a first-class ship of the fleet, after she had performed every job she was called to do in the Korean war, and less than a month before she headed home."

Kilpatrick said Hopping asked for shore duty after he had been aboard six weeks. The officer said that was not enough sea duty to qualify Hopping for a transfer so his request was turned down.

Slemmon said he would show Hopping's subsequent behaviour was malicious in intent and based on insufficient grounds.

South Korean Clean-Up

Pusan, May 13. In a swift anti-corruption move today over 400 South Korean officials were dismissed, suspended or transferred by the newly appointed Prime Minister, Mr. Chang Taek-sang.

Police caught the officials in tea rooms, wine shops and other public houses where they were being entertained by Korean businessmen.—France-Press.

Tokyo, May 13. Japanese big business is getting together again to form something like the pattern of the industrial empires which financed imperialist Japan before the war.

The big family cartels, the Zaibatsu, were broken up between 1945 and 1948. But the occupation, now ended, left no laws to prevent regrouping of the splinters. They are regrouping.

They are frankly referring back to the old names of the Mitsui, the Mitsubishi, the Sumitomo and the Yasuda families which before World War II ruled Japanese industry from aircraft manufacture to sales of chicken-food.

At present, the regrouping is on a small scale compared with the big pre-war system of interlocking companies.

Lack of capital is described as a major burden on Japan's present economy, hampered as it is with overpopulation.

The solution, business men agree, is the re-formation of stronger associations to concentrate more capital and "organise industry more efficiently."

While the former Zaibatsu "big names" remain personally anonymous, there is open speculation about the association of new business leaders with their secret deals with their family masters.

The post-war tendency for the Japanese business to return to the pre-war systems of centralized control has up to now worked mainly through the banking system.

LOAN SYSTEM
Capital-hungry businesses have turned to the banks for loans. The small businesses created out of the "deconcentrated" combines have usually gone to banks tracing their descent from the pre-war combines.

Thus, companies with a lineage going back to the Mitsui Zaibatsu could be found in the main, seeking and receiving loans from the Teikoku Bank, which was splintered off the former Mitsui banking system.

Again, the Chuo Bank (formerly Yasuda) has financed

Only minor deals are concluded at an "official" level.

Big operations are conducted in private homes, tea houses, or at hot-spring resorts. The principals, during a gathering which has all the appearance of a social occasion, commit themselves to vast business undertakings without signature.

Because of this system of doing business strictly "on trust," American Occupation officials admitted that it was not possible to determine the extent to which concentrations had really been smashed even during the Occupation.

One leading American official believed that the banks were taking the place of the Zaibatsu in controlling present day business.

By giving most support to the splinter companies from their trust, the former Zaibatsu, they are, he added, squeezing out small independent companies which have no former Zaibatsu affiliation.

Because of the highly secret nature of the "on the nod" method of doing business, the American trust-busters were not able to prove unfair practices against particular banks.—Reuter.

Joint Unit To Fight Terrorism

Bangkok, May 13. The Malayan Chief of Police, Colonel Young, is discussing with the Thai Police Chief, General Pao, the establishment of a joint Thai-Malay terrorist suppression unit to operate on the border between the two countries.

A plan to that effect was submitted to the Thai Cabinet yesterday.

Colonel Young, General Pao and other police officers flew to the border today to discuss suppression measures with Thai officers at the border.

Chinese Communist guerrillas are reported to be hampering work on plantations in the border districts.—France-Press.

FORMER CARDIFF MAYOR DEAD

Cardiff, May 13. Alderman James Griffiths, 82, former Lord Mayor of Cardiff, has died in hospital in the city.

He was a native of Dinas Cross, Pembrokeshire, and one of the most colourful characters in the public life of Wales.

An ex-merchant navy skipper, he started his sea career when he signed up for windjammers.—Reuter.

Postal Strike In S'pore

Singapore, May 13. Business and communications in Singapore were partly paralysed today by the postmen's strike.

Five hundred postmen stopped working following the Government's refusal of their demands for increased wages and pension rights.

People have been told to collect their mail at the post office while the Government employed temporary workers to keep postal affairs going.—France-Press.

Plane Pilots Becoming Hindrance?

Detroit, May 13. Aeroplane development is running so far ahead of man's capabilities that in future pilots may be a hindrance rather than an aid in aerial warfare, an aircraft manufacturer said.

Because of the trend in fighter plane missions and continuing technical developments, said J. H. Kindelberger of North American Aviation Incorporated, the "machine is getting far ahead of man."

"It is forcing us closer and closer to the concept of leaving the pilot out. Our flying machines are rapidly approaching capabilities that are penalized rather than aided by the presence of a human pilot," the North American Board Chairman said.

Guided missiles were the weapons of the future, he said, and "our nation must arrive at that cross-road first if we and our way of life are to survive."

We must get ahead in the race and stay ahead all the way," he told the Economic Club of Detroit in supporting appropriations for aircraft development.

The United States was now ahead of Russia in quality of aircraft although the Soviets had more planes and are "currently out-producing us."

However, he said, "Our progress in both development and production has been real and encouraging."

He emphasized that mere numbers were not enough, pointing out that F-86 Sabrejets in Korea were holding back superior numbers of Communist MIG-15s.

"An aeroplane that can achieve air superiority is a good investment of the taxpayers' money. An aeroplane that comes out second best against the enemy is a waste of the taxpayers' money," he said.—United Press.

Price Snag Leads To Breakdown

London, May 13. The International Wheat Council, representing 46 countries, which has been trying to craft an agreement governing wheat distribution for four years beginning August 1, 1953, has broken down over the question of price.

The United States, on behalf of four exporting countries—herself, Canada, Australia and France—demanded \$2.50 a bushel compared with the \$1.80 paid by wheat importing countries in the current four years ending July 31 next year.

This was the new maximum price. The new minimum was to be \$1.50 or 10 cents a bushel more than the current maximum.

On behalf of the wheat importing countries the Belgian delegation refused categorically to accept those prices. They were energetically supported by the United Kingdom.

The American delegation explained that they had no authority to negotiate a compromise and the eighth session of the International Wheat Council broke up in some gloom.—United Press.

KASHMIR POST

Canberra, May 13. Mr. Josiah Francis, the Army and Navy Minister, announced today the appointment of Colonel A. E. McKewen, Commander of the Third Australian Tank Battalion, as United Nations military observer in Kashmir.

Colonel McKewen, who succeeds Major C. E. Scott, leaves Australia for Kashmir on June 6.—United Press.

Find In Yugoslavia

London, May 13. Chromium and magnesium have been discovered in large quantities in Southern Serbia, the Yugoslav News Agency Taring reported today.—United Press.

Dr. Reuter Replies To Ulbricht

NO GIVING WAY TO THREATS

The Hague, May 13. The West Berlin Mayor, Ernst Reuter, said here today that West Berlin would not give way to any new blockade.

He was commenting on statements yesterday in Germany by the East German Vice-Premier, Walter Ulbricht, who said that the consequences of West Germany's joining West European defence would be felt in Berlin the next day.

Dr. Reuter said, "We can cope with five or even 20 blockades. We must be prepared for fresh difficulties for West Berlin and we are keyed up for them."

"We can expect that Stalin will keep on thinking up something new. But let there be no doubt that we shall not give way."

He said that West Berlin was much better prepared for a possible new blockade than in 1948.

There was enough coal and food for six months. Industrial capacity had been trebled and industrial life had developed.

Dr. Reuter added, however, that Berlin could not get along without support.

Such support would be forthcoming and the airlift could be re-started within a fortnight.

Dr. Reuter is in Holland for meetings of the International Association of Municipalities.—Reuter.

Admiralty Announces Increases

London, May 13. The three Service Departments in Malta have decided to raise the weekly cost of living bonus for 15,000 dockyard workers from 16 shillings to 30 shillings effective from April 1, the Admiralty announced today.

The Services also decided to leave open at present their offer of an additional lump sum of £14, 10s. in place of retrospective weekly increases claimed by the Workers' Union for a 15-month period.

Both offers were rejected by the Union last month after a delegation came here for talks with the Services.

Workers struck in February in support of claims for a bonus of £1 from January 1, 1951, and £1.10s. from last October 1. Later they resumed work to allow negotiations to take place.—Reuter.

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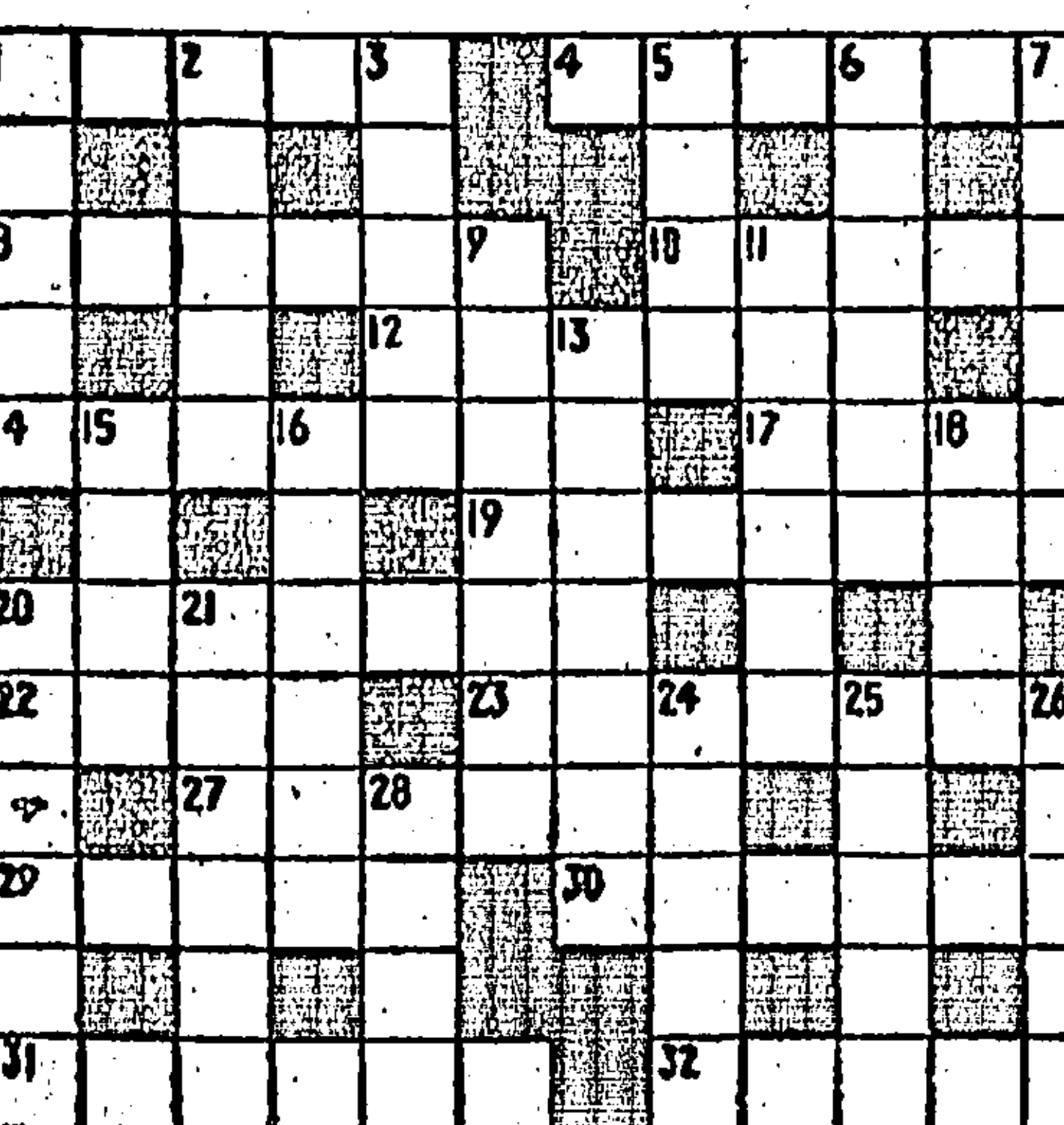
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- Presses strongly (5).
 - Press chief (6).
 - Messenger (6).
 - Excellence (6).
 - Manly (6).
 - Put back (7).
 - Comfort (4).
 - Expelled (7).
 - Public worship (7).
 - Genealogical table (4).
 - Tossed upon (7).
 - Tied up (6).
 - Deserves (5).
 - Unexpected (6).
 - Pigment (6).
 - Vast (5).
- DOWN**
- Attendant (5).
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 - Prefix (4).
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 - Decomposed (6).
 - Guides (7).
 - Choices (6).
 - Venerates (7).
 - Externally (4).
 - Imm (6).
 - Withered (4).
 - Current (6).
 - Brought up (6).
 - Normal (5).
 - Royal line (5).
 - Blockhead (5).
 - Small island (4).

YESTERDAY'S CROSSWORD—Across: 3 Alarming, 8 Laid, 9 Radness, 11 Presided, 13 Stay, 15 Athletic, 18 Telephone, 19 Eddy, 21 Diverted, 25 Secluded, 28 Silt, 27 Desolate. Down: 1 Slip, 2 Fine, 4 Loud, 6 Rued, 8 Inert, 7 Gassy, 9 River, 10 Devil, 12 Rated, 14 Abuse, 16 Tepid, 17 Coded, 19 Eased, 20 Doors, 21 Tull, 22 Vent, 23 Toll, 24 Duty.



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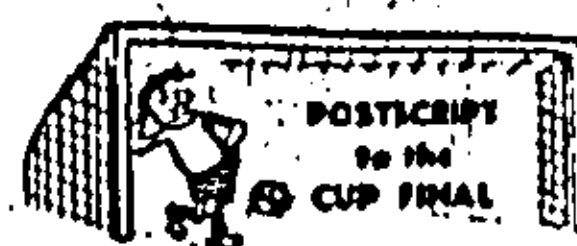
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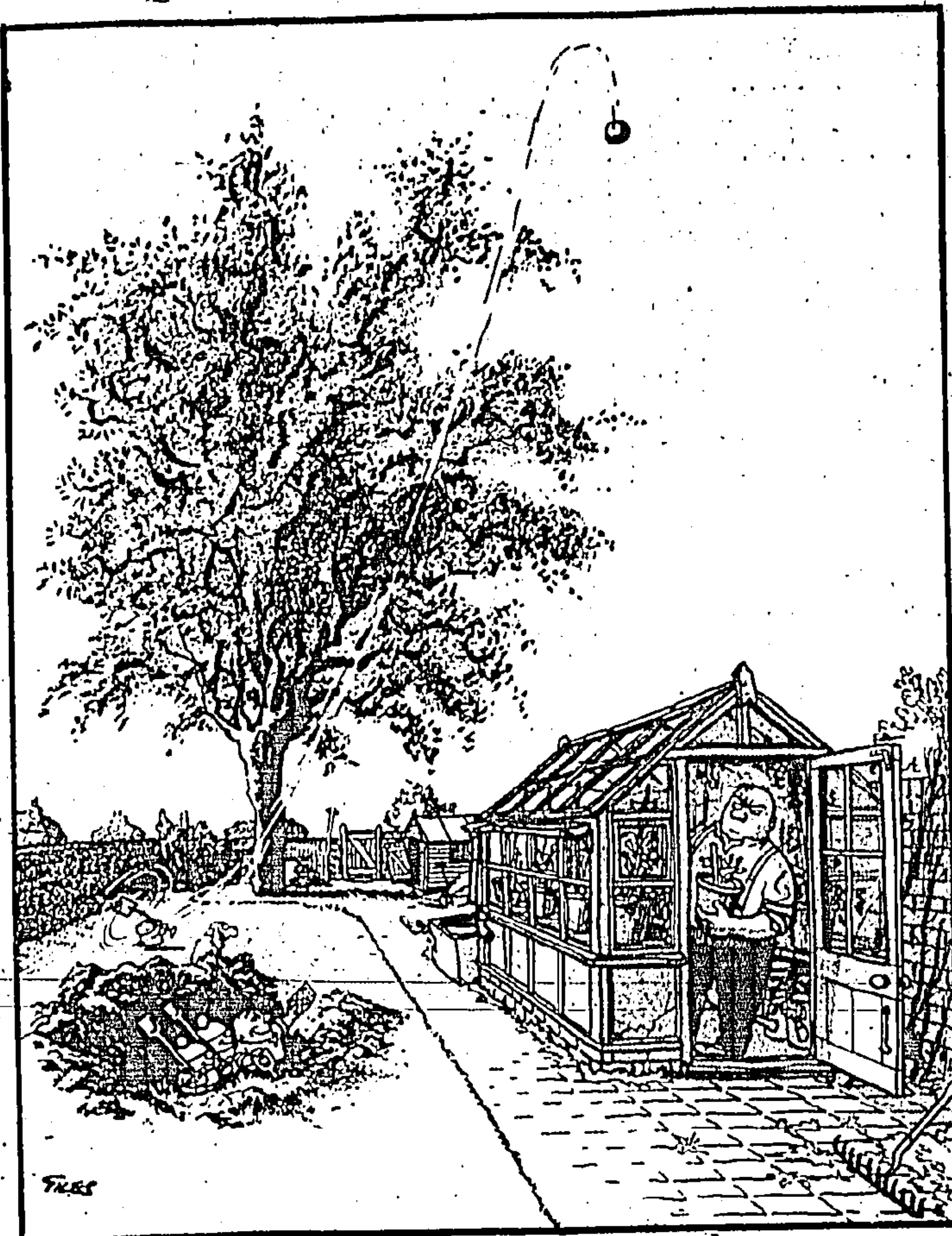
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... by GILES



"Dad — we've found your Cup Final ticket we hid"
(London Express Service)

Sitting on the Fence . . . by

Nathaniel Gubbins

Being a warning to Mr. F. A. Grein, director of the Incorporated Guild of Milliners, who, despite the recent appeal for breach of privilege against Lord Mancroft, has suggested that women M.P.s should attend to their hair and make themselves more attractive.

Oh, Mr Grein, oh, Mr Grein, you've got my nerves on edge.

I fear for you, dear Mr G., because of privilege. If you don't know about it yet, you'll know about it later.

That it's a crime to criticise a woman legislator. Oh, Mr Grein, dear Mr Grein, oh, please don't play the fool!

All women in the H. of C. are smart and beautiful; When they stand up to make a speech they dazzle the beholder. With daring hat upon the head and clip upon the shoulder.

Not only are they beautiful, but beautiful and bright; Like women not in Parliament, they're always, always right; No problems are too big for them, no politics appeal, Enigmas of the Welfare State they solve and know them all.

So, Mr G., you must not say such things about their hair. You must not say they're ever wrong because it isn't fair. No one must criticise their speech, their habits or their curls. For, after all, it's not quite nice to pull the legs of girls.

If you persist, dear Mr G., remember Kipling's tale "The female of the species is more deadly than the male." If this be true, dear Mr G., I think you might infer that girls who sit in Parliament are even deadlier.

Pardon me

A COMMUNIST art expert has exclaimed, in Berlin, that "the agonised smile of the Mona Lisa shows she identified herself with the sufferings of the progressive working classes."

So you see, comrades, how simple life becomes when once you have embraced the Communist faith. All problems are solved the moment you understand that everything is related to the working-class movement.

Up till now, when un-enlightened sorts of the so-called Western democracies have looked at the picture "Highland Cattle" they have just thought, well, that's a picture of Highland cattle.

One day an enlightened Communist will explain that the cattle look either angry or dejected because they are thinking: "If we belonged to a collective farm we would provide milk and beef for the working-classes instead of feeding the idle, gluttonous bourgeoisie."

Take another picture, "The Stag at Bay." Without Communist instruction you would never know that the stag represents the persecuted working-classes turning, at last, with revolutionary ardour, on the hounds, who are the dogs and cannibals of the capitalist world.

So far, we don't know what The Laughing Cavalier was laughing at, unless he was an aristocrat sneering at the sufferings of the working-classes. But I must say I am glad I have been put right about the Mona Lisa.

In my ignorance I always thought the girl had indigestion. I thought her agonised smile was a smothered burp and that the picture ought to be called "Pardon Me."

General Eisenhower put on a white apron and cooked a dinner for the people. — Report from Luxembourg.

SO it seems that the general and his Uncle Nat have something in common. They are both amateur cooks. Of course, his Uncle Nat has never tried to cook for 15 people. His limit is two, or three if you count Lolita, the Devil Cat.

This may be because Eisenhower is a general with organising ability, while his Uncle, who couldn't organise a coffee stall, never rose above the rank of Acting Unpaid Lance-Corporal after nearly five years as a backward private.

Another advantage enjoyed by Eisenhower, is that a general of his ability must have the gift of intense concentration, whereas his Uncle finds it difficult to concentrate for more than a minute even on what he is doing now.

America to argue with senators. While this is going on the potatoes boil over and put the gas out, smoke rises from a can of peas burning over a fierce flame in a red-hot saucepan, and the week's meat ration (two chops, usually) is in flames under the grill.

As this charred mess is being transferred to dishes clanging in an oven, whose fiery breath might have come straight from the open gates of Hell, Stalin is answering back, under his ingrowing moustache, "Tovarich: 'Why should we start something when we shall achieve world Communism by frightening the West and making you spend all your money on armaments!'"

As the underdone potatoes are being mashed and fly off at tangents on to the floor, an American senator is booming: "The way to stop them sons of so-and-sos is to let them hard right now with everything we've got."

It is at this moment that the Devil Cat, usually intervenes. On the last occasion, excited by the smoke, the flames, and the smell of burning meat, she jumped on to your Uncle's shoulder as he was carrying a loaded tray into the dining-room and brought it crashing to the ground.

He has not been allowed to cook anything since. — (London Express Service)

Here comes cookie

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Therefore, when a meal is being prepared by these silly, fumbling hands on even sillier mind is wandering in a world of make-believe, composing dialogue, thinking up rhymes and metres for doggerel verses, and even flying off to Russia, to argue with Stalin, or to

NEWS TO MAKE THE 'OLD SWEATS' MARVEL — And to cheer up every young man who'll ever carry a pack on his back

by CHAPMAN PINCHER

THERE is a break for the footslogger at last. For years he has marched with a lumpy load on his back while boggles have produced refinement after refinement for the men who drive and fly.

Now they have spared a thought for easing the load of the soldier who advances on his own two feet.

A team of Army doctors and scientists has designed a webbing equipment which takes much of the sweat out of the old sweat's job and sets a new standard in comfort and efficiency.

It is the first time that the soldier's "battle-order" has been radically changed since 1908.

Focal point of the new equipment is a long, narrow canvas tuck to replace the box-taped back-burden soldiers humped about in the last war.

It fastens to the belt at the back—which is an innovation—as well as to the shoulder straps, so that the bulk of its weight is supported by the hips.

It can be slipped from the belt in an emergency by a quick-release mechanism. For extra comfort the belt is made of flexible material and the shoulder straps have been widened.

Ammunition pouches in the new kit are supported by the belt and carried in front to ease the load. Enormous effort, involving months of patient experiment, went into the design of this equipment which is now to be tested on manoeuvres by the War Office.

Doctors, using an electrical machine, measured the work done by different muscles in carrying the old and new packs. They assessed the amounts of discomfort due to chafing and sweating.

They faulted the old-style pack on both medical and military grounds.

Its shoulder straps are too narrow and put the weight on weak muscles. It ties the soldier unnecessarily by causing far too much sweating.

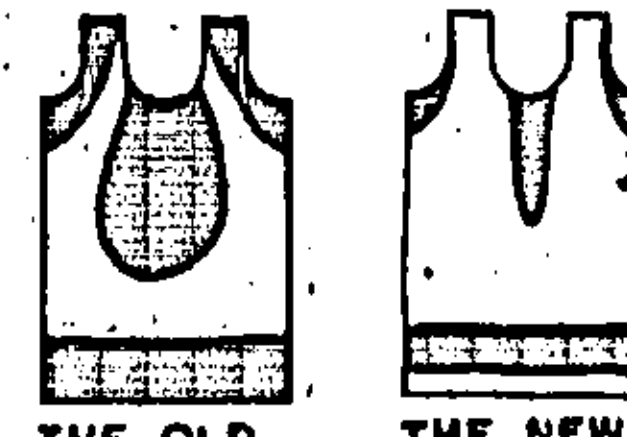
When a rifleman lies down to fire or hide the box-like pack on his back makes him a conspicuous target.

The new pack-streamlines the soldier's silhouette by lying closer to the body.

Men behind this painstaking work are typical of 60 comparatively unknown but extremely influential boggles who make up the Army's "Operational Research Group."

Security has guarded the work of this group until the War Office had allowed me an

THE 'OLD SWEAT' O-GRAPH



THE OLD THE NEW
The old, spread over whole country, found a new pressed man heavily in a soldier's tank

Our early tanks had so few wheels that all their weight was concentrated at only a few points on the tracks. So they were bound to sink in soft soil.

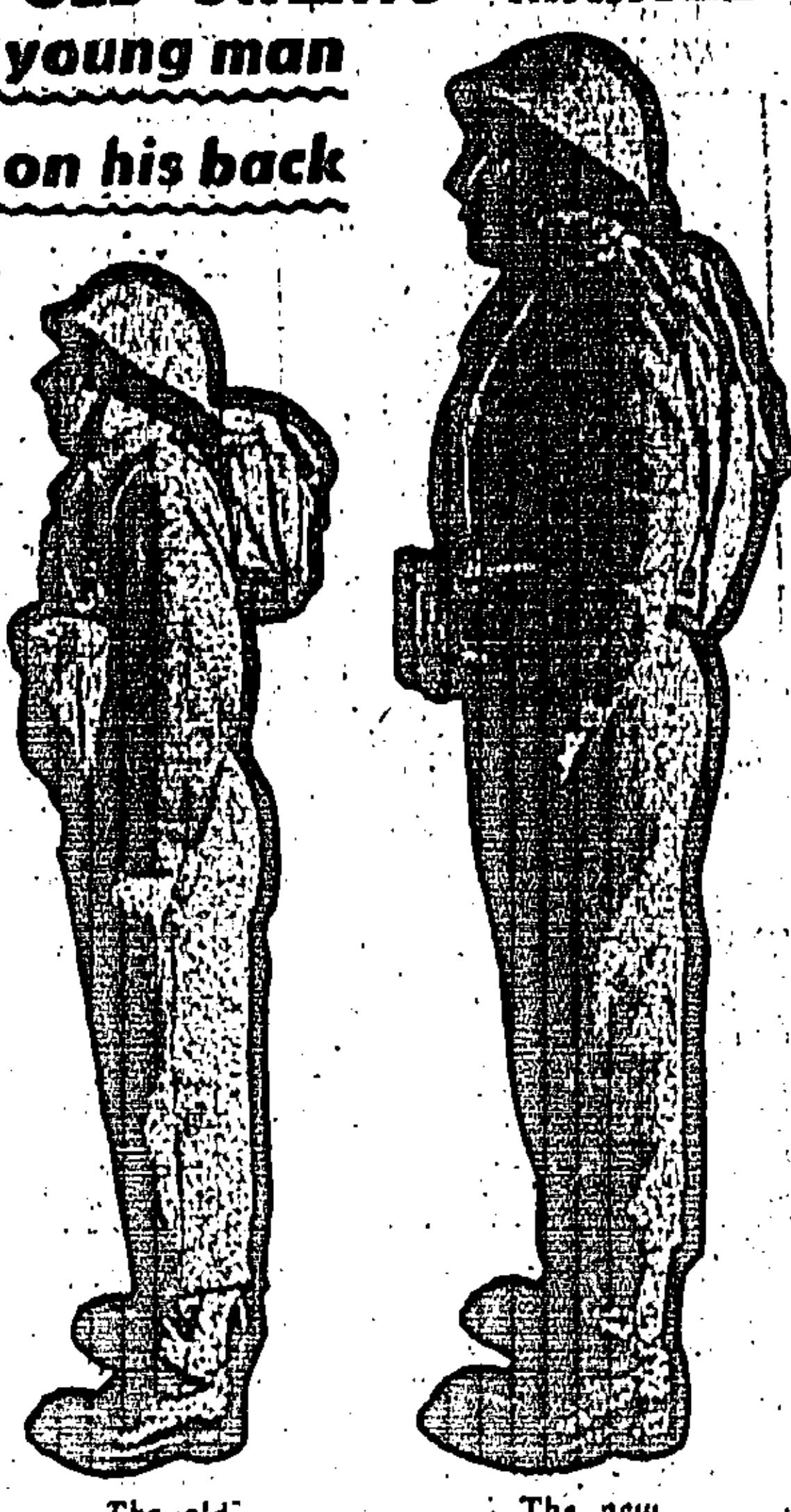
After seven years of experiments on many kinds of soils Evans has devised a formula which is enabling our tank

dry work. But Munch gave it an inspired performance and brought out the noble passion beneath. Both in these items and in the second suite from Roussel's ballet, "Bacchus and Ariadne," the orchestra rose finely to the conductor's demands.

The strings have an effortless velvety tone; even in quiet, unemphatic passages. The wind instruments can speak with grace or with a thrilling "bite." And the whole blends like a real team.

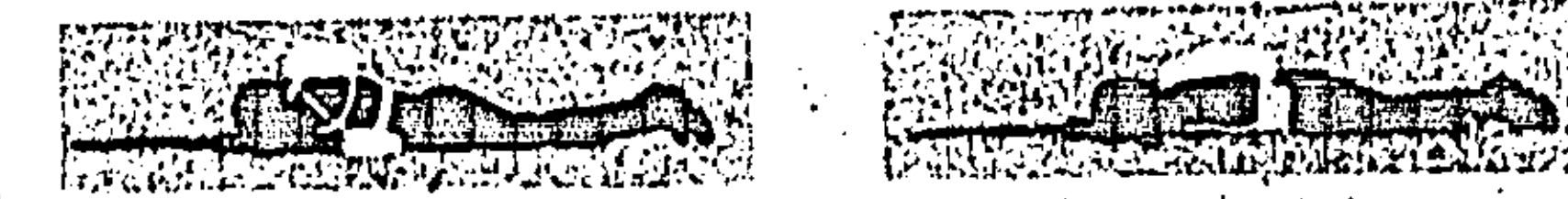
One man, more than anyone else, built that team. He was Serge Koussevitzky, who conducted the orchestra for 25 years. He died last summer. But his predecessor, Pierre Monteux, a 77-year-old wonder, is here. He will also conduct.

The orchestra soon goes on tour, and will play at London's Royal Festival Hall on Monday, May 20. I do not say that the orchestra—all male, except for one of the two harpists—has the superbly drilled, almost in-



The old THE SOLDIER AS A TARGET The new

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The old THE SOLDIER AS A TARGET The new

exclusive inspection of its designers to cater for any kind of country.

What I saw convinced me that these men working in a converted stately home in the "stockbrokers' country" near Epsley, Surrey, are not only streamlining the Army but saving the taxpayers' money.

Operational Research includes the scientific study of information obtained during battles and manoeuvres by front-line observers. Its results are rapidly replacing chuck-and-chance-it methods of every phase of military planning.

The new approach was born in the last war when former ack-ack chief General Sir Frederick Pile realised that the gunners' equipment was getting too involved for commanders to use it without scientists' help.

The urgent need for it now in the development of the highly mobile Atomic Age army is illustrated by the work of 32-year-old Ivor Evans.

He has reshaped the alphabet so that men and women working hurriedly on ack-ack plotting tables cannot confuse letters like C and G.

The hard results of Operational Research have so impressed the Staff Chiefs that the "Byfleet boggles" are called in almost daily to give advice at the highest levels.

The group's able chief, Dr Alfred Ross, is now in Montreal for secret talks with Canadian and U.S. defence experts on how Operational Research can be called still more effectively to strengthen the armies of the Western Powers.

— (London Express Service)

THE BOSTON SYMPHONY IN PARIS

From ARTHUR JACOBS

Paris, May 7. THE Boston Symphony Orchestra played in Paris this week 3,000 miles from home—and touched off the third round in Europe's battle of the top-grade American orchestras.

The New York Philharmonic Symphony Orchestra was at last year's Edinburgh Festival. — The Philadelphia Orchestra came to Britain two years earlier.

But the Boston Symphony Orchestra has never before been to Europe in its 70 years' history. Now it has come as the star turn of the "Musical Festival of Paris," designed to refute the Communist charge that West culture is decadent.

It cost the festival 165,000 dollars (\$29,025) to bring over the orchestra's 104 players. Only about one dollar in five expected to be recovered by the box-office when all festival excursions have been settled. The orchestra was under its regular conductor Charles Munch, who is himself French. The programme combined French and American music.

The gilt-and-plush Paris Opera House was packed from the stalls to the highest of the four tiers. President Auriol was there with Foreign Minister Schuman.

The audience gave only brief, perfunctory applause to the two American works, Walter Piston's "Toccata" and Samuel Barber's overture "The School for Scandal." This overture is the time, conventional kind of piece which makes music-lovers think of the Americans as mere provincialists of music.

But how the audience cheered the "Symphony for Strings" by the French-Swiss composer Arthur Honegger—especially when they found he was in the theatre.

This symphony has previously seemed to me to be a harsh,

human technical efficiency of the Philadelphia Orchestra.

Now, has Sir Thomas Beecham and his Royal Philharmonic Orchestra any need to fear eclipse? But certainly the Boston Symphony Orchestra has, proved worthy of its reputation, and has given distinction to this festival.

Nicolas Nabokov, the Russian-born composer who has come from America to act as the festival's artistic director, told me he was "astonished" at the hostile criticism of the festival in the French press, when complaints have been made over the censorship of this and that composer.

I suspect that other foreigners are using these writers for their own ends, he said. "Efficient forgets I dare not say so."

But, as to quality of performance, Mr. Nabokov needs only to keep the concert up to tonight's level, and the critics will not worry him.

JACOBY ON BRIDGE

Tricky Plays Will Win Bridge Hands

NORTH (D) 21
 ♠AK5
 ♥K10653
 ♦Q842
 ♣AK10

WEST EAST
 ♠J1062 ♠Q84
 ♥74 ♥QJ852
 ♦K952 ♦J
 ♣AK10 ♣J763

SOUTH
 ♠Q73
 ♥A
 ♦AQ87643
 ♣86

North-South vul.

North East South West
 1 Pass 2 Pass
 2 Pass 3 N.T. (1) Pass
 3 Pass

Opening lead—A 2

By OSWALD JACOBY

THE Vanderbilt Cup Tournament, which begins tonight in New York, is sure to produce a fine crop of bridge swindlers. A player whose team is getting the worst of it will often try to cheat in the attempt to regain lost ground, and even a player whose team is leading may try to hoodwink his opponents in the hope that they will be too discouraged to discover the fraud.

Today's hand taken from the 1949 Vanderbilt Tournament, shows both sides up to mischief. South tried to steal a trick by his bold and unorthodox bid of three no-trumps. He would have gotten away with this unusual bid except for the fact that West swindled him out of his contract.

West opened the dummy of spades, and dummy won with the king. Declarer led the ten of diamonds from the dummy and finessed the queen around to West's king. West's king, however, was a dummy stopper so he tried another spade lead.

South won the second spade with the queen in his own hand and cleared the diamonds by taking the ace and giving up a trick to West's nine.

West's next play came very quickly because he had been thinking and counting during the play of the earlier tricks.

It was clear that South had five sure diamond tricks, and three sure spades. South had no top clubs since West could see the ace and king in his own hand with the queen in dummy, so he had to have the ace of hearts for his leap to three no-trumps.

Moreover, he had discarded the dummy of hearts on a diamond trick to warn West away from a heart return.

West needed three tricks to set the contract, and only in clubs was there any hope of winning a trick. Hence West quickly and nonchalantly led the ten of clubs from his hand.

South should have put up dummy's queen of clubs, but he didn't dream that West was leading away from the ace and king of clubs. He played a low club from dummy, hoping that the suit would lead a heart.

When West's ten of clubs won the trick, West continued with the king and king of clubs to set the contract. It was a case of Greek meeting Greek.

CARD SENSE

Q—The bidding has been:
 East South West North
 Pass Pass Pass 1 Spade
 Pass Pass Pass 2 Spades
 You, South, hold: Spades K-A-Q-2, Hearts K-J-3-4, Diamonds K-8-5-3, Clubs A-10-4-2. Do you bid?

A—Bid three spades. The hand would be just a bit lighter than a jump raise except for the fact that you have passed originally. That pass warns your partner not to expect too much from you and indicates that your raise may be a bit shaded.

TODAY'S QUESTION—The same as in the question just answered. You, South, hold: Spades K-A-Q-2, Hearts K-J-3-4, Diamonds K-8-5-3, Clubs A-10-4-2. Do you bid?

Answer Tomorrow

CROSSWORD

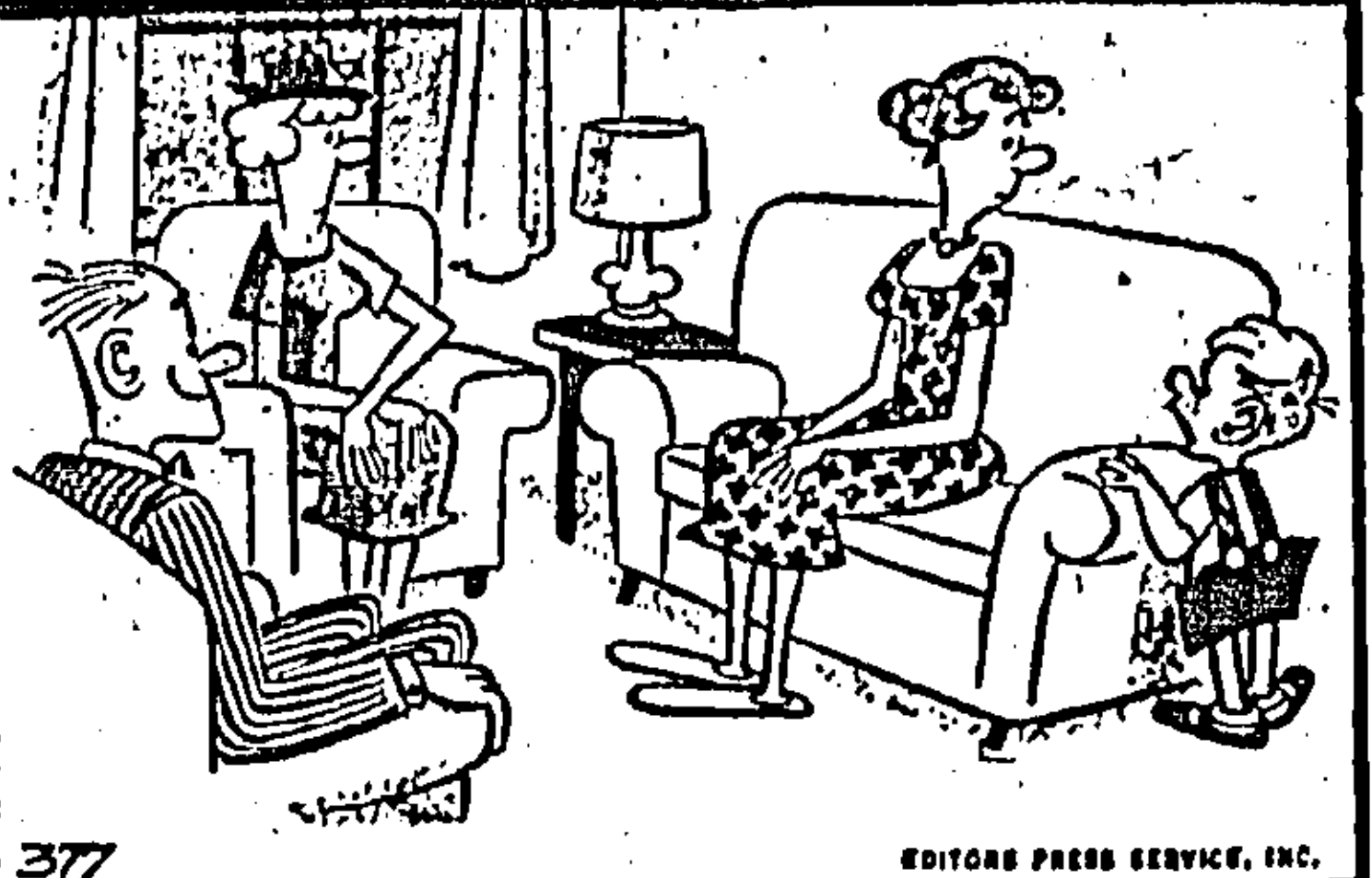
Across
 1. A tough road (7)
 2. Revile (6)
 3. A head (4)
 4. Charge (4)
 5. Eyed by a flash (3)
 6. Nothing more than dry rain (8)
 7. A very loud tune (7)
 8. The finish (4)
 9. A quick part of a yacht (5)
 10. How to look at rates (5)
 11. Lazy Jack (4)

Down
 1. A fan rupa into protectors (9)
 2. A famous 5-letter word (10)
 3. A picture in a special gallery (5)
 4. Arrange (6)
 5. Whittling sticks (3)
 6. Time to make amends (5)
 7. He was a hot musician (4)
 8. The P.T. and its hidden (3)
 9. Make the levee sit for this (4)
 10. True (5)
 11. A good speak of course (5)
 12. Shipped up (5)

Solution of yesterday's puzzle. Across: 1. Litter, 2. Litter, 3. Litter, 4. Litter, 5. Litter, 6. Litter, 7. Litter, 8. Litter, 9. Litter, 10. Litter, 11. Litter, 12. Litter.

Down: 1. Litter, 2. Litter, 3. Litter, 4. Litter, 5. Litter, 6. Litter, 7. Litter, 8. Litter, 9. Litter, 10. Litter, 11. Litter, 12. Litter.

(Solution on Page 10)



"Is everybody sick? Daddy's in the kitchen fixing four glasses of his medicine."

BY THE WAY

by Beach mber

I SEE that a woman who was called a "unit" by some little piece of official dress or other considered that she had been insulted. So she had. This gadget, this sort of trash, was probably a Captain in the Jargoneers, the dashing light cavalry of the bureaucracy, and nobody should be too hard on him if he has forgotten how to speak English. In fact, if you talk plain English, such creatures as they are at you as though you were a daily-laborer helper with an eight-foot tall and eyes looking down on you.

Don't you believe it! THE ever watchful L.C.C. recently banned an 18-ft. python from the stage of a picture-theatre. Shortly afterwards a Romanian who had escaped from Bucharest presented himself at headquarters, carrying a gay cap. "What all this referred to," he would not be in, the national interest to embark on an explanation, he said. A few well-chosen

YOUR BIRTHDAY By STELLA

WEDNESDAY, MAY 14

BORN today, although your likes and dislikes are very strong indeed, you have the capacity for hiding your feelings when necessary. You are a "good fellow"—a gift that is required of all those who are to get along successfully in a highly competitive world. This may sometimes give you the appearance of being "two-faced." Perhaps you should be a little less genial to those who are less critical than you are.

You have the talent for making money; your judgment is excellent and is not to be trusted. You do your best work when left alone to accomplish things in the way you play. You are likely to be a professional, rather than a commercial one.

Taurus (Apr. 21-May 21)—A good day for romance. Don't neglect the pleasure of life. They can bring happiness.

Gemini (May 22-June 21)—Be hopeful, self-reliant and ever aggressive if need be, to push forward towards your objective.

Cancer (June 22-July 23)—Press forward in the study of some important subject and you will discover success comes quickly.

Leo (July 24-Aug. 23)—Be careful in making decisions that incur new responsibilities. Postpone an answer if you can.

Virgo (Aug. 24-Sept. 23)—Make careful business and financial plans. Much of your future progress may depend upon it.

Libra (Sept. 24-Oct. 23)—Independence is something to be cherished. Don't sacrifice it today to another.

Scorpio (Oct. 24-Nov. 23)—Keep your nose to the grindstone. Don't let rumors or gossip interfere with your plans.

Sagittarius (Nov. 24-Dec. 23)—Give counsel to those who have made mistakes. Encourage rather than punish to get results.

Capricorn (Dec. 24-Jan. 20)—If you think you are repaying kindness, then do it before asking for further favors.

Aquarius (Jan. 21-Feb. 19)—Don't let haste make waste. Pay careful attention to detail on important work.

Pisces (Feb. 20-Mar. 20)—A fine day for studying. Good reading and research should prove exceptionally rewarding.

Aries (Mar. 21-Apr. 20)—

DUMB BELLS

STUNG BY A WASP, WHY DIDN'T YOU PUT SOME AMMONIA ON IT?

COULDN'T CATCH THE LITTLE BLIGHTER

2-13

2-13 THE LEADER SYNDICATE

CHESS PROBLEM

By E. PLESNIVY

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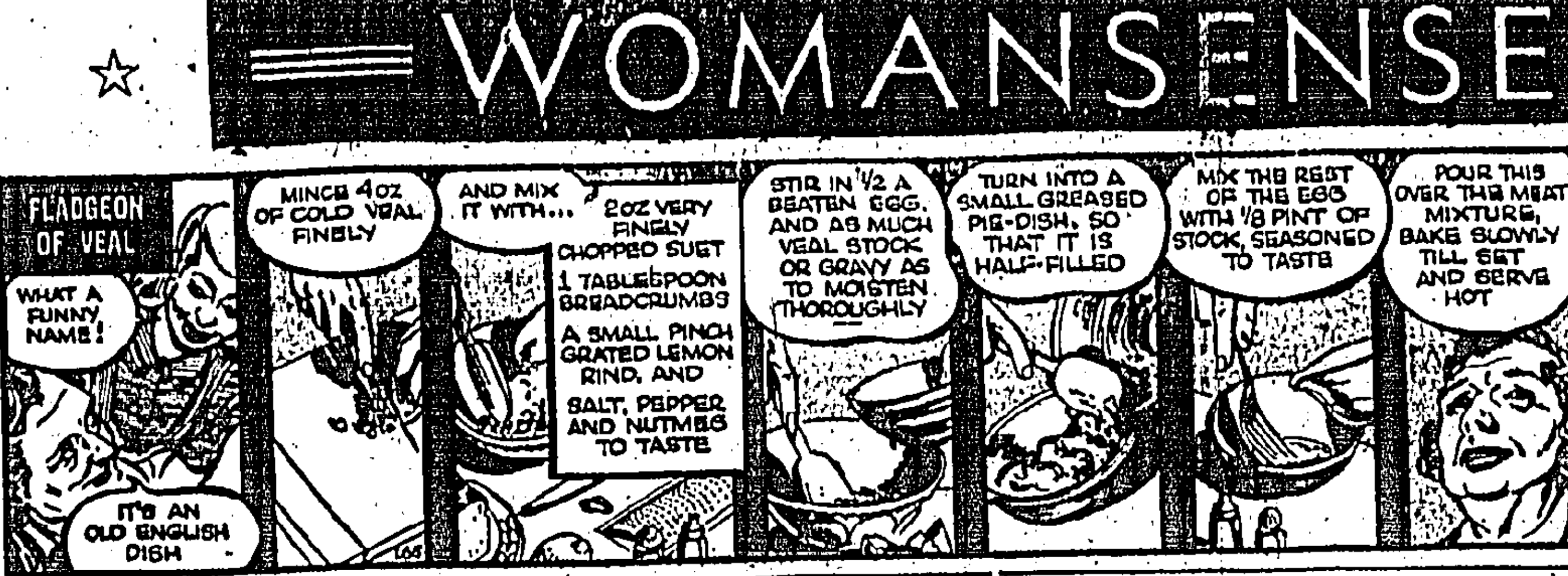
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Solution to yesterday's problem.

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(Solution on Page 10)



WOMANSENSE

The Time Is Close

How To Care For Fabrics With Wonderful New Finishes

By ELEANOR ROSS

★ GARMENTS that keep their fit and colour, that go safely into soapuds, that dry fast and iron easily—if ironing is needed at all—are no longer a dream. Blouses, lingerie, play clothes and sportswear, as well as yardage, have all acquired new finishes.

Ever since the textile laboratory discovered how to give water-repellency to fabrics, the search has been on for other finishes. Water-repellent finishes now resist staining and wrinkling. Of course, fabrics with such finishes still get soiled, but not as fast as ordinary, untreated materials. Soft and crease-resistant can now be imparted to rayon, cotton, and blends of synthetic and natural fibres by

resein finishes set into the fabric with heat.

★ You've no doubt learned that water-repellency comes out in dry-cleaning, and so must be removed. But did you know that it can stay in through numerous soap and water washings? So do many other anti-soil and anti-wrinkle finishes.

Now that these practical qualities are becoming more common in fabrics and made-up garments, good washing directions are in demand. Just because a garment is labelled wrinkle, stain or water-resistant, does not mean you can toss it in with the sheets.

Actually, all these finishes resist dirt because the yarn has become "sealed" by the resin; therefore, dirt will never penetrate deeply.

Vigorous washing methods are not needed. The garment will release the dirt with much less action than is usually necessary. Lukewarm suds and gentle hand-washing, or a short period in the washing machine will get the dirt off the surface of the garment. So not much scrubbing, rubbing or soaking, but more rinsing is the ticket.

★ Rinse through clean water several times. This is because any remaining soap will act as a wetting agent on water-repellent surfaces the next time they are out in the rain. Proper rinsing gives the finish a chance to maintain its original function of shedding water.

The special finishes that resist wrinkles iron quickly and easily. Usually seams, collars and hems look all the better for a going-over with but a slightly warm iron. Many items don't need the touch of an iron at all.

Have you discovered those wonderful corduroy garments that are water-repellent, completely washable and wrinkle-proof? Don't mix colours, though, during laundering, unless you are sure they're fast. Just twist corduroy through lukewarm suds and let drip dry.

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Roast Chicken Rice Stuffing

Serve a roast chicken with a peanut rice stuffing for a family treat. It's that good. Wash well one cup brown rice; add ½ c. peanuts (shelled). Saute slowly in 4 tbsp. butter to a delicate brown. Remove from fire. Add ¼ c. powdered tarragon, ½ c. garlic salt and 4 c. boiling water. Mix thoroughly. Cover and cook until tender and water is absorbed; takes about 30 min. Add 2 stalks celery, cubed, and 2 small onions, minced. Cool and use for stuffing a 4-5 lb. roasting chicken. To make a delicious liver pate, enough for 4 large sandwiches, cream together ¼ c. butter, ¼ lb. liver sausage, tsp. dry mustard and tsp. curry powder or chili powder as desired, and milk to moisten so that the mixture will be of spreading consistency. Spread thickly on rye bread and cover with sliced, stuffed olives. The men folk will go for these sandwiches, you'll find.

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THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB

RACE FIXTURES FOR THE FIRST HALF OF THE
1952/1953 RACING SEASON.

Sat., 27th Sept.	1st Race Meeting
Sat., 11th Oct.	2nd Race Meeting
Mon., 13th Oct.	3rd Race Meeting
Sat., 25th Oct.	4th Race Meeting
Sat., 8th Nov.	5th Race Meeting
Mon., 10th Nov.	6th Race Meeting
Sat., 22nd Nov.	7th Race Meeting
Sat., 6th Dec.	8th Race Meeting
Sat., 13th Dec.	9th Race Meeting

SUBJECT TO ALTERATION

Hong Kong, 1st May, 1952.

THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB
SEVENTH RACE MEETINGSaturday 10th and Sunday 17th May, 1952
(Held under the Rules of The Hong Kong Jockey Club)

There are 20 races. The First Race will be run at 1.30 p.m. and the First Race will be run at 2.00 p.m. each day. Through Tickets for the 2nd Day, 17th May, 1952, (at \$20.00) may be obtained at the Comptroller's Office of the Club, 1st Floor, Telephone House as well as tickets for the Cash Sweep on the 'Hong Kong Derby' scheduled to be run on 31st May, 1952.

THERE WILL BE NO SPECIAL CASH SWEEP ON THE LAST RACE.

To avoid congestion at the Club's Offices at Telephone House, non-members are requested to purchase their sweep tickets at the Club's Branch Offices at:—
5, D'Aguilar Street, Hong Kong
or
382 Nathan Road, Kowloon.

TOTALISATOR

The attention of Totalisator Investors is drawn to the following rules:—

Dividends will be paid on the winning and placed ponies as declared by the Stewards when the "All Clear" is given. The "All Clear" signal will be indicated by a white light at the Totalisator Tower. BACKERS ARE ADVISED NOT TO DESTROY OR THROW AWAY THEIR TICKETS UNTIL AFTER THE "ALL CLEAR" SIGNAL HAS BEEN EXHIBITED.

Totalisator Tickets should be examined and checked before leaving the Selling Counters as mistakes of any description cannot be rectified later.

Cash received in respect of Dividends should be checked before leaving the Pay-Out Counters as no claim for short payment of the value of tickets presented can be entertained once investors have left the Counters.

All winning tickets and tickets for refunds must be presented for payment at the Race Course on the day to which they refer, but none will be paid later than one hour after the time for which the last race of the day has been scheduled to be run.

In no circumstances will any Dividends be paid or refunds made unless a ticket is produced. Payment WILL NOT be made on torn or disfigured tickets.

MEMBERS' BADGES AND ENCLOSURE

Members and guests are reminded that they and their ladies MUST wear their badges prominently displayed throughout the Meeting.

NO ONE WITHOUT A BADGE WILL BE ADMITTED TO THE MEMBERS' ENCLOSURE.

Badges admitting ladies not in possession of Brooches or Season tickets and gentlemen, non-members of the Club, to the Members' enclosure and the Club Rooms at \$10.00 per day including tax for ladies or gentlemen are obtainable through the Secretary at Telephone House, on the written or personal introduction of a Member, such member to be responsible for all visitors introduced by him, and for payment of all club dues.

Only a limited number of badges admitting to Members' Enclosure will be on sale at the Race Course.

The Branch Offices and the Treasurer's Comptroller Office will close at 11.00 a.m. and the Secretary's Office at 11.45 a.m. each day. The Treasurer's Comptroller Office and the Secretary's Office are situated at 1st Floor, Telephone House.

A limited number of tickets will be obtainable at the Club House provided they are ordered in advance from the No. 1 Box (Tel. 27818).

NO CHILDREN WILL BE ADMITTED TO THE CLUB'S PREMISES DURING THE MEETING.

PUBLIC ENCLOSURE

The Price of admission to the Public Enclosure will be \$3.00 per day including tax for all persons including Ladies, and will be payable at the Gate.

BOOKMAKERS, TIC TAC MEN, ETC., WILL NOT BE PERMITTED TO OPERATE WITHIN THE PRECINCTS OF HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB.

MEALS AND REFRESHMENTS WILL BE OBTAINABLE IN THE RESTAURANT IN THE PUBLIC ENCLOSURE.

SERVANTS' PASSES

Servants' passes will be issued to private box holders only, who are requested to distribute them with discrimination and to endorse their names on the passes. Holders of such passes are not permitted in the Members' Enclosure except for passing through on their duties and must remain in their employers' stands.

Owing to the congestion in the Members' Betting Hall and at Booths adjacent to Boxes in the Coffee Room, Box-holders and Members are requested to ensure that their servants make use only of the Public Betting Hall. Military Police will be posted at various points in the enclosure to ensure that this regulation is adhered to.

By Order,
H. MISA,
Secretary.

ATHENIANS THE THIRD
ENGLISH TEAM TO LEAVE
HONGKONG UNBEATEN

By "SPIV"

The Athenian League team, who left Hongkong for Singapore this morning, became the third visiting English side to go away with an unbeaten record.

Playing the last of their three matches in Hongkong yesterday before a capacity crowd of 12,000, they held the Combined Chinese to no goals in the first half and just managed to wipe off a one-nil deficit barely three minutes from the final whistle to force a 1-1 draw.

In fully 80 minutes of high-grade, thrill-packed soccer that redeemed the disappointing previous two games, the Combined Chinese enjoyed almost seven-eighths of the game in the first half and had the ball in the Athenian goalmouth on at least 20 occasions in about 30 of the 40 minutes of the first half.

There was distinct improvement in their attempts at the goalmouth and both Lee Tai-fai and King Lok-sang drove in some good efforts which but for a little more accuracy and power would have got the Chinese a couple more goals.

The weakness at the goalmouth, however, was still there, and dilly-dallying with the ball allowed the effective covering system of the Athenians defence to assert itself and nullify all the spectacular approach work of the Hongkong forwards.

Man beautifully back-flicked the ball past a surprised Gadsden and King Lok-sang cut in from the left, took the ball in his stride and, approaching the goalmouth, drove the ball past Ivey into the near corner of the goalmouth.

Gradually, however, another weakness of the Hongkong team came into evidence, its lack of staying power in an 80-minute game.

It slowly wilted before the persistent efforts of the visitors, who, with Stroud now initiating the moves at right-wing, were having more and more of the play.

They were suitably rewarded just three minutes before the end when a well-taken corner kick was about to land just under the cross-bar.

Goalkeeper Cheung Koon-hing tried to reach for the ball, but found himself sandwiched by Athenian centre-forward Parker and inside-left Sorensen, both of whom also leaped for the ball. All three missed, the ball.

A British team also won the team competition. They had been leading all along during the second half of the race.—Reuter.

Chinese Recreation Club "1" beat Urban Council 3-1 in "A" match.

Wong Shiu-wing and T. W. Choy (capt.) beat Cheung Koon-hing and Chung Wing-wong 4-2; beat Cheung Wai-chu and Wan Kin-chu 6-2; beat F. K. Wu and Y. C. Kung 4-2; beat Cheung and Chung 7-5; beat Cheung and Cheung 4-4; beat Wu and Kung 6-1.

T. K. Choy and Y. T. 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FIRST COUNTY CENTURY OF THE SEASON



Ronald Giles (Notts) pulls Wright to the boundary to complete the first century of the season in County cricket. Giles went on to score 124 against Kent.

Frank Sedgman Will Have To Hate For A Whole Fortnight

Says PETER WILSON

There aren't, I suppose, more than a dozen sportsmen in the world whose names would be familiar to the general public in each of the five continents. One of these "whales" was swimming around in the dim aquarium of the West Hants Lawn Tennis Club at Bournemouth, where the British Hard Court Championships were wending their swampy way.

Indians Fail To Beat Leicester

Leicester, May 13. In spite of a grand display of off-spin bowling by Ghulam Ahmed, the Indian cricketers failed in their attempt to cheat the weather and gain their first victory of the tour.

After the miserable conditions of the first two days the sun shone upon the touring team for the last day which they began with six first innings wickets standing and still needing 24 runs to pass Leicestershire's 161. Against "tight" bowling on a pitch taking spin, the Indians found run-getting far from easy and although Hazare completed an eminently sound 50 they lost five more wickets in gaining a lead of 41.

The last three wickets fell in 17 balls to Palmer, the Leicestershire captain.

KEPT MATCH ALIVE

Hazare's declaration at 202 for nine with four hours left for play kept the match alive, especially when Ahmed bowled Italian and Tompkins with only 12 runs on the board. Palmer and Lester appeared to have mastered the turning ball when Ahmed, whose length seldom wavered in his 31 overs, struck further blows by dismissing them in quick succession.

Ahard's five wickets in Leicestershire's second innings cost him 52 runs. The Indians suffered their first casualty of the tour when Sen, the little wicket-keeper, was struck in the face by the ball. He was taken to hospital but after treatment he returned to the ground to report that an X-ray showed that he had suffered no serious injury.

His eye is expected to be swollen and painful for a few days. Dhikori kept wicket for the last half hour.—Reuters.

DADO MARINO IS CONFIDENT

World Flyweight Champion Dado Marino, of Honolulu, told the United Press today that he is in "top shape" for his title 15-round fight with challenger Yoshio Shirai of Japan next Monday.

Asked if he would knock out the Japanese Champion, Marino smiled and said: "You can't tell what will happen."—United Press.

His name: Frank Sedgman. His ability: To play the best amateur lawn tennis to be seen in the world today.

His make-up: To be so inconspicuous off the court that he could be known as "the invisible star."

There cannot be a leading player whom Sedgman, at some time or another, hasn't trounced. But I've rarely come across any great athlete who remains so completely one of the crowd; who is so remarkable in his lack of remarkability.

Let's take the view of an Australian who knows him well: "Frank is what we call a typical back blocker. You can think hundreds of Australians like him, slightly stooped, rugged, eyes like a hawk."

"He's one of the really great players, and when he loses to someone he ought to beat it's because he can't, even temporarily, work up that hate which you need to put an opponent on the floor and keep him there."

'KILLER' TOUCH

"Before he played in the U.S. championships last year I told him not to let the Americans kid him out of the title. I thought he would have forgotten about what I said, but after he won the title I got a letter from him thanking me for the advice. He had the 'killer' instinct then."

I can confirm that. I saw Sedgman at Forest Hills, New York, last September. He beat the then American champion, Art Larsen, taking a scant 41 minutes for the three sets.

Afterwards Larsen said: "It was like playing a pistol." In the final Victor Seixas did a little better. He lasted just three-quarters of an hour.

Let's have another viewpoint—that of Sedgman's pretty 21-year-old bride Jean, who was a Melbourne hairdresser before she set out on a honeymoon of the world's capitals and show-places supported by the most educated tennis racket in the business.

CAUTIOUS

Sedgman's ambitions after he's finished with lawn tennis are as modest as his behaviour, says Jean: "He's just bought a petrol filling station."

"I suppose he would like to open a chain of them?" I asked.

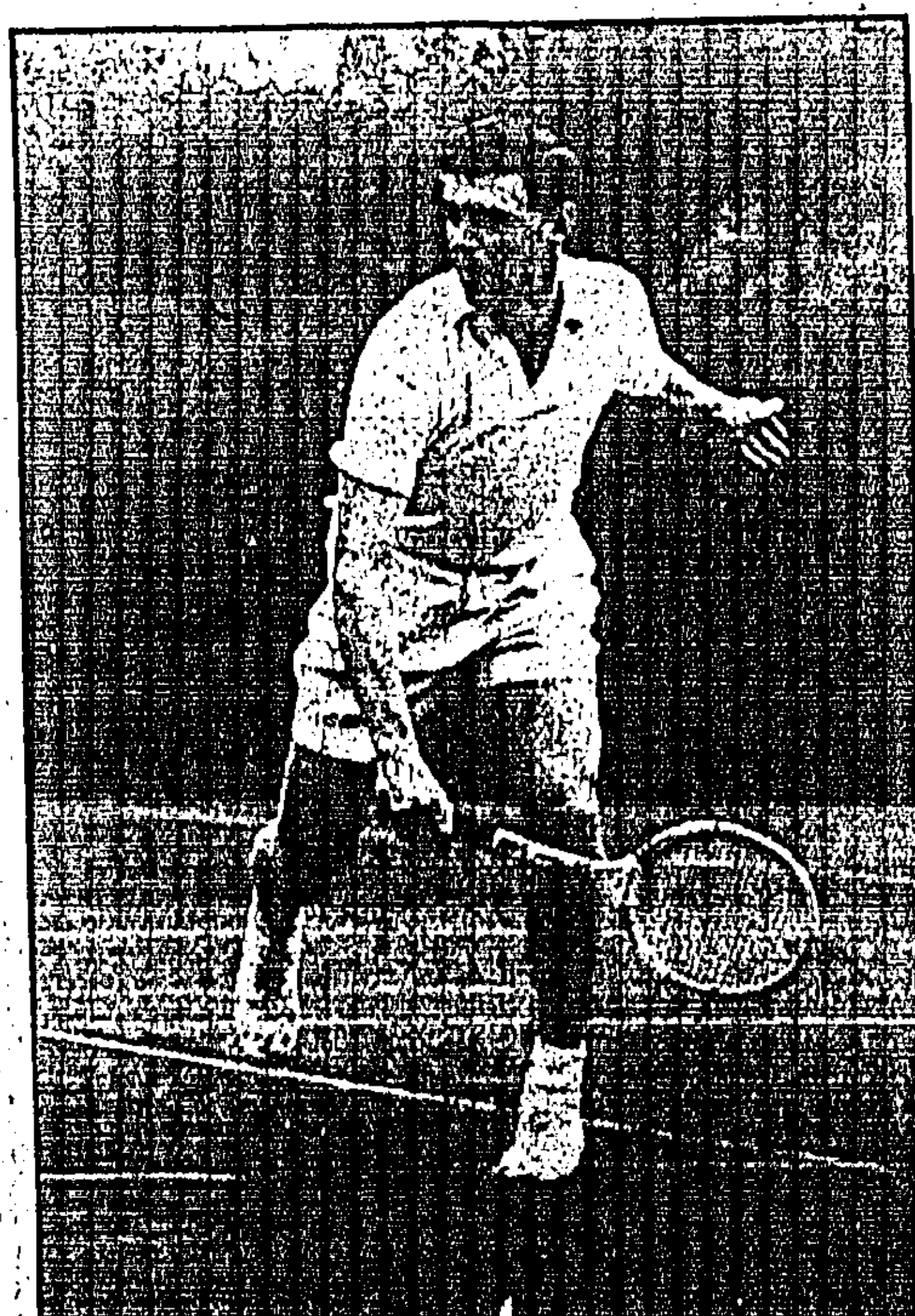
"Oh—very cautiously—I don't know. We'll have to see how one goes."

And a final viewpoint—from his latest victim, Ignace Toczyński, the former Polish Davis Cup player, whom Sedgman beat in a downpour for the loss of only four games: "Before the war I play Tilden. I play Fred Perry. I play Jack Crawford on the Centre Court. Always I got a decent score against them. But this man—he is too quick. I have no time to play."

So there you have the viewpoints of friend, wife and foe. But to the fan in the street Sedgman will remain the Anonymous Champion.

And to win Wimbledon he will have to "hate" for a fortnight.... which is a long time for a quiet fellow.

—(London Express Service)



FRANK SEDGMAN

SUSSEX AND WARWICKSHIRE TIE IN DRAMATIC FINISH AFTER THREE TENSE HOURS

London, May 13.

One of the most dramatic County Championship matches in recent years ended in a tie at Hove today, the scores in the Sussex and Warwickshire match being level when the last Sussex batsman was dismissed.

If the Championship programme this summer continues to produce such matches, cricket's future should be assured.

After some three hours of tense play the Sussex last wicket pair, Albert James and Roland Webb, came together with their side wanting 12 runs to defeat Warwickshire. Everything pointed to a victory for the reigning Champions, whose bowlers had been on top throughout the innings, but the batsmen thought otherwise.

Scorning the presence of fieldsmen crouching a few yards from the wicket, James and Webb gradually took the total near to the 132 which would have given Sussex the match.

EACH RUN CHEERED

Each run was cheered loudly by the 1,500 spectators, many of whom had hurried to the ground on hearing that Sussex were engaged in a tense struggle.

At last the scores were level and the hushed atmosphere of the match was broken by the England and Warwickshire leg break bowler, sent down the next ball. The ball sped on its way and struck Webb, on the pads. A triumphant appeal followed almost instantaneously, the umpire raised his finger and the match was tied.

Sussex had begun the day needing 31 runs with seven wickets left and everything pointed to a Sussex victory, but chiefly through their fast medium bowler, Charles Grove, who took six wickets for 49 runs, Warwickshire fought back.

The last tie in a County match occurred two years ago when Hampshire and Kent were involved.

According to the rules of the County Championship scoring, Warwickshire, who led on the first innings, take eight points and Sussex four points. Up to 1948 each side received six points for a tie.

Ties in cricket are rare and today's was only the 25th occasion in first class cricket.

The first was in 1839 when the MCC drew with an Oxford and Cambridge University team at Lords.

The only representative game to finish level was the Gentlemen versus Players match at The Oval in 1885.

The nearest approach to a tie in Test cricket was at Durban in 1949 between England and South Africa. When the last ball of the match was bowled England needed one run for victory. A leg bye gave England the match by two wickets.

ANOTHER ONE

There was another thrilling finish at Worcester where, with only a few minutes to spare, Worcestershire beat Somerset by one wicket.

Worcestershire's fast bowlers, Perkins and Flavell, were the last pair in and they hit off the nine runs required for victory.

Worcestershire can thank R. E. Bird and R. G. Broadbent for their victory. Set to make 303 runs in just under four and a half hours, this pair followed up their three figure stand in their first innings by hitting 130 runs in 105 minutes. Bird, more aggressive, reached 94 and Broadbent made 45 before both gave catches in hitting out.

It looked a good thing for Worcestershire when the extra time was claimed with 40 runs needed and five wickets standing. The Somerset bowlers had other ideas and the last 15 minutes were drama-packed before victory was achieved by the home side.

Harold Gimblett, the carefree Somerset opening batsman, showed a particular liking for the Worcestershire attack. He scored 169 and 95 in this match, making his aggregate 343 in his last four innings against the Midlands County.

Roy Tattersall, England and Lancashire right-arm off-spinner, helped his County to victory with some expert bowling against Kent at Manchester.

On a drying pitch Tattersall took five Kent second innings wickets for 48 runs, making his aggregate for the match 13 wickets for 76 runs. This is the best performance of his career. His previous best of 12 wickets for 68 runs was against Gloucestershire at Gloucester in 1950.

10 Probables At Newmarket.

London, May 13. There are 10 probable starters for the Newmarket Stakes to be run over 10 furlongs at 2.30 p.m. GMT at Newmarket tomorrow.

They are, with jockeys: Globe of Light (E. Smith), King's Prize (W. Schuster), Gallop (W. Smith), Chivalry (E. C. Elliott), Penitent (A. Claydon), Speechmaker (E. Barlow), Chavvy Down (W. H. Carr), King's Bench (G. Littlewood), Indian Hemp (D. Smith) and Monarch (W. Novell).—Reuters.

George Tribe, the 30-year-old Australian slow left-arm bowler, made a remarkable Championship debut for Northamptonshire, who beat Nottinghamshire by 10 wickets.

He took a wicket with his first ball in County cricket, and gained five wickets for 46 runs in the first innings and six for 70 in the second, thus returning a match analysis of 11 wickets for 116 runs.

Tribe, who played in three tests against the MCC touring side in 1946-47, appeared in Lancashire League cricket before qualifying for Northamptonshire.

THE RESULTS

The results of County cricket games follow:

At Manchester—Lancashire beat Kent by nine wickets. Kent 115 and 124. Tattersall, right-arm medium off-spin, five for 48. Lancashire 213 for nine declared and 24 for one.

At Nottingham—Northamptonshire beat Nottinghamshire by 10 wickets. Northamptonshire 303 for eight declared and 16 for no wicket. Nottinghamshire 138 and 182 (Hardstaff 71, Stocks 67, Tribe, left-arm slow spin, six for 71).

At Hove—Sussex-Warwickshire match tied. Warwickshire 138 and 116. Sussex 123 and 131 (Grove six for 49).

At Chelmsford—Essex beat Derbyshire by nine wickets. Derbyshire 233 and 127 (Kelly 53, Ray Smith 5 for 33). Essex 230 and 133 for one. (Dodd 52, Avery not out 59).

At Cambridge—Cambridge University-Yorkshire match drawn. Cambridge University 375 for six declared and 193 for two declared (Sheppard not out 103, May 50). Yorkshire 345 and 159 for seven (Hutton 50, Subba-Rao, right-arm leg-break, three for 23).

At Lords—Gloucestershire beat Middlesex by 131 runs. Gloucestershire 266 and 194 (Moss, right-arm fast, four for 44). Middlesex 123 and 208.

At Worcester—Worcestershire beat Somerset by one wicket. Somerset 350 for nine declared and 211 for eight declared (Gimblett 93, Rogers 53, Perkins, right-arm fast, medium, five for 59). Worcestershire 254 and 309 for nine. Bird 94, Broadbent 45, Robinson, right-arm off-spin, five for 111.—Reuters.

A RE-APPRAISAL OF STRENGTH

The Major League Baseball Season Moves Into Its Second Month Today

New York, May 13.

The 1952 Major League season goes into its second month tomorrow and a re-appraisal of strength indicates another hot stretch race to the finish in the National between the champions, Giants, and the runner-up, Dodgers, of last year.

In the American League, Cleveland could be in a position to make a walkaway of it although there is still the question of whether its sporadic batting attack and its mediocre defensive infield will hold the Indians up during the long run to the end of September.

The surprise teams have been the Senators and until lately the Browns and Red Sox in the American League and the Cubs and Reds in the National League. All have been doing far better than expected although there is evidence that the kid-powered Browns and Red Sox were operating far over their collective heads.

BIG DISAPPOINTMENT

The big disappointment have been the World Champions Yankees. Sedgman have they looked like the team which swept to three straight pennants and world titles under Manager Casey Stengel.

Plagued by injuries as they were in 1949, they also definitely miss the silent but still inspirational leadership of Joe DiMaggio. And they are going to be hurt plenty by the loss of Jerry Coleman, to the Marines. The slender second baseman looked as if he were heading for his best year.

Cleveland, with Early Wynn, Bob Lemon, Bob Feller and Mike Garcia forming the best "Big Four" crop of hurlers in the majors, may stay up there all the way, particularly since they have Grover, under the ken of pitching coach Mel Harder, seems to be making a fine comeback. He pitched a four hitter against the Yankees and a five hitter over Detroit for his two victories to date.

Also significant was the manner in which the Indians bowled over the Yankees three games in a row in New York where they won only one game last year.

The Indians tie with the Yankees at Cleveland tomorrow night in the feather of the first invasion of eastern American League teams into the West.

Gromek will work again with a full week of rest against rookie lefty Bill Miller of the Yankees. Both are unbeaten.

In other games, all at night, the Red Sox, who tumbled out of the first and fell to third with three straight losses to the Yankees, oppose the White Sox at Chicago.

Washington, which parked up and won eight out of nine games after a deal that brought it outfielders Archie Wilson and Jackie Jensen and pitcher Frank Shes from the Yankees, takes on disappointing Detroit.

CLOSE TO DEMORALISATION The Tigers, who have won only five games and are imbed-

ded in the last place, seem close to demoralisation.

The Athletics, also on the up-grade, play the Browns in St. Louis.

In the National, the Giants came home from a long trip with 10 out of 11 victories for their best swing away from home since 1916 when they won 26 games in a row on the road. They open in a night game with the Reds who have looked sharper than expected.

The Dodgers, still only a game behind the Giants, despite a trifling hitting slump of late, oppose the Cardinals who have not shown quite the spark expected under the new manager, Eddie Stanky.

Boston and Pittsburgh play in the Braves' field and the Cubs, who have gotten terrific pitching to stay in the first division all the way, meet Eddie Sawyer's disappointing sixth place Phillies in Philadelphia.

All but the Dodgers-Cardinals game will be at night.—United Press.

Von Nida Sets Up Course Record Of 67 At Llandudno

Llandudno, North Wales, May 13.

Norman Von Nida, former Australian Open Champion, played almost faultless golf to set up a course record of 67 in the first round of the Penfold 2,000 Guineas tournament here today.

He led the field, one stroke ahead of Harry Weetman, on the Maesdu Course while John Fenton led those playing on the north course with 69.

Thirty-two qualifiers from the first two rounds will take part in the match play part of the tournament at Maesdu.

Henry Cotton, former British Open Champion, after an absence of nearly nine months from competitive golf, was followed by the largest gallery of the day and was up with the leaders with a good 70.—Reuters.

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Their spokesman said that the Immigration Department of the Jewish Agency had promised to send them back to India as soon as possible.

The group, which has been squatting in front of the Jewish Agency's Immigration Office, will remain on the pavement because they have sold all their belongings, the spokesman said.

He added that the group had sent telegrams to the Indian Prime Minister, Pandit Nehru, and to the editor of the Indian newspaper, The Statesman, asking for help.—United Press.

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Total War Being Waged On Locust Menace

Rome, May 13.

Total war on an international scale is being waged against the worst plague of desert locusts in the past 100 years and which threatens to destroy food supplies from Africa to Asia through the Middle East, the United Nations Food and Agriculture Organisation announced here today.

The Soviet Union has joined the United States, Britain and all menaced countries in battling the locust hordes. Russia is not a member of the FAO.

The Organisation has pledged \$500,000 for this unprecedented onslaught of one of man's oldest scourges. This is five per cent of the total being spent by governments to fight the plague.

The plague, which began as a limited danger in a small area of East Africa, has spread with dramatic rapidity since the beginning of this year.

By the first week of May the locusts had travelled thousands of miles and were infesting extensive areas of French Somaliland, Ethiopia, the Sudan, Aden, The Yemen, Saudi Arabia, Oman, Kuwait, Jordan, Egypt, Israel, Syria, Iraq, Persia and Pakistan.

In some of these countries breeding is going on of a new generation of young locusts which will soon be threatening the cotton and grain of the Nile delta on the one side and the rice fields of India on the other.

Jordan is one of the seriously infested countries.

VAST AREAS

Vast areas stretching from the borders of Iraq to Pakistan were infested with locust eggs. The Persian Government started its own campaign in March, clearing up 147,000 acres by the end of last month. But help on a larger scale was needed.

Russia sent 10 planes complete with crews to apply poison bait from the air. She is also sending 500 tons of bait and 50 tons of insecticide.

Pakistan has sent to Persia 15 tons of insecticide and 100 tons of bait with two locust specialists.

India has sent a locust expert with six powder dusters and several tons of insecticide.

The United States has sent two spraying aircraft and nine tons of insecticide.

The FAO itself has bought 18 vehicles in Teheran to help overcome a bottleneck in control operations.

The FAO has also offered the Indian Government to rush five plane loads of insecticide and other equipment from Bombay and Jodhpur to Persia.—Reuter.

Pretender Back In Portugal

Lisbon, May 13.

Don Duarte Nuno of Braganza, Pretender to Portugal's Throne, arrived in north Portugal today by car with his wife and three children to set up residence in a suburb of Oporto, according to reports received here.

He has lived as an exile in Switzerland.

On April 21, 1950, the National Assembly approved a bill abolishing the laws banning members of the Portuguese Royal Family from Portugal.—Reuter.

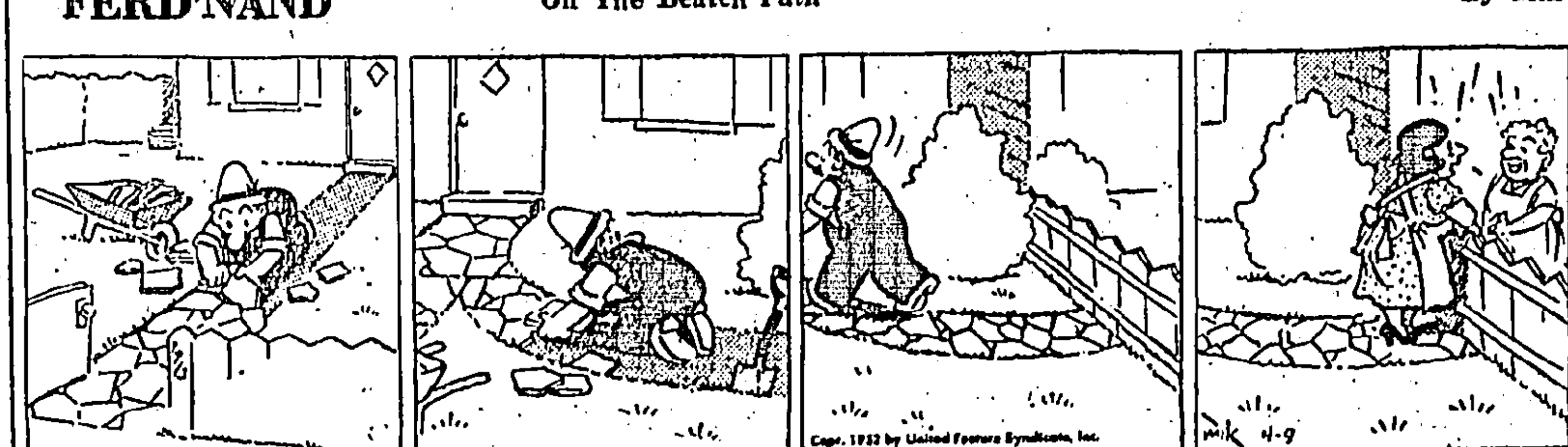
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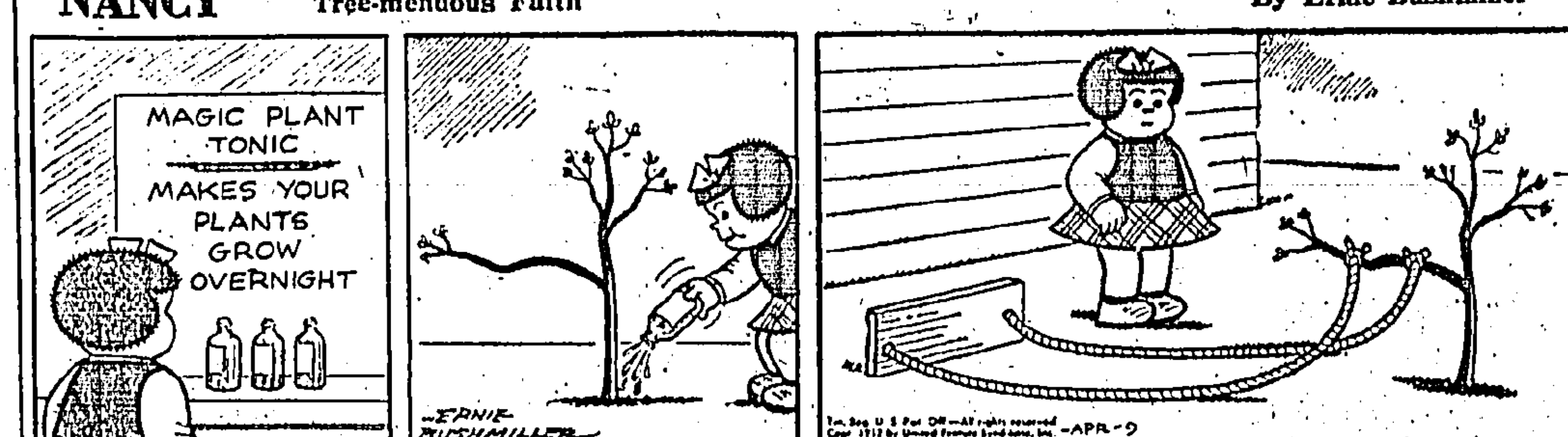
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Miss Cummings, of Wallendy Dairies, Albert-road, Kilburn, and Miss Leone Corrigan, 24, Waverley, walk, Paddington, were taking the bag of cash and some cheques to a bank in Kilburn High-road.

They parked the car as usual in Brondesbury Villas. As they were getting out one man pulled the bag from Miss Cummings and ran 20 yards to the getaway car. Two men were inside. A fourth held the door open.

As the bandits moved off Miss Cummings ran back into her car and raced after them. Miss Corrigan went to a telephone kiosk and dialled 999. Miss Cummings lost sight of the bandits' car in the chase.

Later police found the getaway car abandoned. The money bag was there, and the cheques, but the £500 was missing.

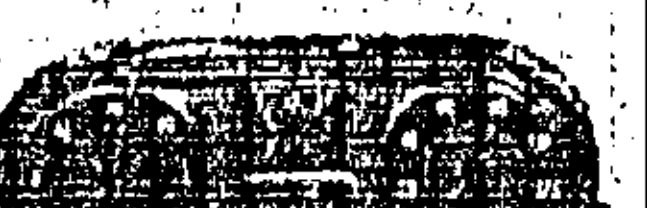
Mr R. W. Chumpton, dairy manager, said: "Miss Cummings acted with considerable bravery and great presence of mind. Usually one girl and one man go to the bank, but this robbery was so well planned I don't think it would have made any difference."

Scholarship Grant

Bangkok, May 13.

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Quirino Gives Assurance

Manila, May 13. President Elpidio Quirino last night assured the nation that there would be no rice crisis this year, explaining that rice is plentiful in Thailand and Burma and can be purchased by private persons through negotiations by the Philippine Legation in Bangkok or through National Rice and Corn Corporation bidders.

The President made the statement when queried by newsmen regarding a Congress report that the Philippines was facing a rice crisis. He added that increased local rice production would help solve the shortage. — France-Press.

Meeting Of Empire Ministers

London, May 13. Most Commonwealth Finance Ministers or their representatives will attend the annual meetings of the International Monetary Fund and the World Bank in Mexico City in September.

This will give them an opportunity for separate Commonwealth discussions on the Sterling Area's current problems.

The Chancellor of the Exchequer, Mr. Richard Butler, is among those expected to attend. Senior Commonwealth finance officials and economic experts are likely to meet before the middle of the summer, but according to a Treasury spokesman, no dates have yet been fixed.

They are due to have further talks on three main themes:

1. The current balance of payments situation and the general trading trends of the Sterling Area;

2. The report of the Commonwealth Development Committee;

3. The report of the Commonwealth Committee on the question of Sterling convertibility.

These two reports were submitted to the governments concerned after the meetings of the two committees in London, set up at the Commonwealth Finance Ministers' Conference here in January.

The development committee was presided over by Mr. John Foster, Commonwealth Relations Under-Secretary, and the convertibility committee by Sir Arthur Salter, Minister for Economic Affairs.—Reuter.

The Rubber Markets

London, May 13. Prices of rubber futures closed today as follows:—

Number 1 rubber, in pence	26-20 1/2
June	25 1/2
July	25 1/2
October/December	24 1/2
January/March (1953)	23 1/2

—United Press.

SINGAPORE MARKET

Singapore, May 13. Prices of rubber futures closed today as follows:—

Number 1 rubber, per lb.	87 1/2-88
June	85 1/2
July	85 1/2
Number 2 rubber, June	85-86
Number 3 rubber, June	82-83
Number 4 rubber, June	80-81
Spot rubber, unbleached	80-81
Blanket crepe	63-66
No. 1 pale crepe	103-105

—United Press.

LONDON TIN MARKET

London, May 13. The tin market turned easier today on a turnover of 40 tons including 10 tons for cash. Prices closed at the end of the official morning session as follows:—

Spot tin, buyers	92 1/2
Spot tin, sellers	93
Business done at	92 1/2
Three-months tin, buyers	90
Three-months tin, sellers	91
Business done at	90 1/2
Settlement	93

—United Press.

Cotton Futures In New York

New York, May 13. Prices of cotton futures closed today as follows:—

Spot	20 1/2 nominal
July	20 1/2
October	20 1/2-20 3/4
January	20 1/2-20 3/4
March	20 1/2 nominal
May	20 1/2
July	20 1/2
October	20 1/2

—United Press.

Silver Recovers

London, May 13. Prices of silver bullion rose a fraction today to 70 pence for both spot and forward.

In New York today, the price of silver declined one cent to 80 cents per fine ounce.—United Press.

POST-WAR BOOM IN TEXTILE INDUSTRY

Lancashire's Dramatic Recovery

(By RONALD BOXALL)

London.

The resurgence of the Lancashire cotton industry after the war added a dramatic chapter to British industrial history.

Within five years of the end of hostilities, it had not only recovered from the effects of wartime "concentration" and re-established itself as one of the country's biggest export industries. It had also provided the basis of a new prosperity for well over 300,000 workers.

The war had left the industry in a severely weakened state. More than one-third of its mills had been closed down as part of a scheme of concentration to increase the efficiency of the industry under wartime conditions.

These mills had to be reopened and brought back into production as quickly as possible. And that could be done only by a rapid expansion of the industry's labour force.

The first task confronting the industry's leaders, therefore, was to attract men and women to the mills in sufficient numbers to enable Britain to take advantage of pre-war conditions. For nearly six years the world had been deprived of adequate textile supplies, and valuable opportunities awaited the first labour to meet this pent-up demand.

But Lancashire's pre-war history of insecurity and poor working conditions hung around its neck like a millstone. Altogether, 170,000 workers had left the cotton industry to join the armed forces or enter war factories, and many of them were loath to return. Moreover, other industries were also crying out for labour; many of them were able to offer higher pay and better working conditions.

Britain's Textile Industry

This is the second of a series of six articles on Britain's textile industry by Ronald Boxall. The third article, dealing with the cotton slump and its effects on Lancashire, appears in the "China Mail" tomorrow.

Yarn

	lb.	£
1937	150,028,800	13,604,406
1945	16,102,500	2,915,850
1946	10,371,100	3,763,422
1947	20,666,500	6,787,214
1948	59,018,000	10,747,785
1949	82,001,000	25,550,385
1950	70,989,000	25,534,372
1951	85,494,700	31,782,084

Cloth

	Linear yards	£
1937	2,023,085,000	44,768,650
1945	409,482,000	26,778,810
1946	528,817,000	40,284,004
1947	541,246,000	40,677,610
1948	765,710,000	85,791,845
1949	902,827,000	105,706,322
1950	815,267,000	100,296,504
1951	858,549,000	182,101,722

MARKED TREND

This upward trend of cotton prices became even more marked during the following two years as a result of the "panic buying" that took place after the outbreak of war in Korea. Thus while yarn exports in 1951 were five per cent smaller in volume than in 1949, earnings from this source increased by 25 per cent over the two years.

This rise in the price of cotton goods has more than offset the fall in the volume of exports from Lancashire since pre-war years. In 1939, monthly average exports of piece-goods were 116 million square yards—more than at any time since the war—and average earnings from these exports were £2,065,000. But during the first 11 months of 1951 exports of piece-goods averaged only 74 million square yards, although monthly earnings had increased to over £11 million.

The industry, therefore, owes its post-war prosperity not to an increase in production, but to an extraordinary rise in the price of its products. But prosperity based on inflation holds obvious dangers. Had the post-war stocking-up process taken its natural course, the industry might have expected to face a gradual decline in demand some time before the beginning of 1950. But the natural course of events was interrupted by the war in Korea.

HONGKONG SHARE MARKET

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(From Our Correspondent)

In another slow session, business on the Stock Exchange this morning totalled only \$94,501.25. Noon quotations and the morning's transactions:—

SHARER BUYERS SELLERS SALES

BANKS	BUYERS	SELLERS	SALES
HSBC	140	1399	
East Asia	140		
Union	745	750	20 @ 750
Underwriters	140	0.05	
HSBC	140		
DOCKERS, ETC.			
N. P. Wharf	6.45		
President	11.10	11.20	200 @ 11.20
Wholesale	40 1/2	41 1/2	500 @ 41
LAND, ETC.			
HK Hotel	7.20		
Hotel Land	1.25	43	200 @ 43
Land	15.70	16	1000 @ 15.00
C. Light (C)			
CU	8.25	8.40	1025 @ 8.25
CU			500 @ 8.30
Electric	5.25	5 1/2	
Electric	20.70	21	
Telephone	19.60	19	
INDUSTRIALS			
Rope	17 1/2		
STONERS, ETC.			
Dairy	16 1/2		
Watson	31.80		
(Haw)	33	33 1/2	33 @ 33 1/2
COTTONS			
Ewo	235	2.00	

Foreign Exchanges In NY

New York, May 13.

	US\$100
Canada	1.0110
England—official	2.80 1/2
unofficial	2.83 bid/2.85 asked
30-day futures	2.80 1/2
90-day futures	2.79-2.80
Australia	2.80
New Zealand	2.80
South Africa	2.81 1/2
Belgium	2.81 1/2
Denmark	1.45 1/2
France	8.025-8.030
West Germany	4.20
Holland	2.80
Italy	8.016
Norway	1.405
Portugal	2.80
Spain	8.025
Sweden	8.035
Switzerland	2.80
MIDDLE EAST	
Egypt	2.80 1/2
Iran	8.0125
Turkey	2.81
Turkey	6.575
LATIN AMERICA	
Argentina	8.033
Brazil	8.030
Bolivia	8.030
Chile	8.030
Colombia	8.030
Cuba	8.030
Mexico	1.153
Pera	8.040
Peru	8.030
Venezuela	2.805
FAIR EAST	
India	2.806
Pakistan	2.809
Hongkong	1.750
Indonesia	3.015
Singapore	2.805
Japan	300 yen to US\$1

—United Press.

Exchange Rates

Business was done in the local unofficial exchange market this morning at the following rates:—

	US\$100
US dollar (per 100)	35.70
Sterling note (per 100)	3.04
Indonesian guilders (per 100)	3.04
Siam baht (per 100)	1.75
Singapore (Straits)	1.75
FIC plaques (per 100)	12.75

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SAILINGS TO

	May 16	May 23	May 30	June 6	June 13	June 20	June 27	July 4	July 11	July 18	July 25	Aug 1	Aug 8	Aug 15	Aug 22	Aug 29	Sept 5	Sept 12	Sept 19	Sept 26	Oct 3	Oct 10	Oct 17	Oct 24	Oct 31	Nov 7	Nov 14	Nov 21	Nov 28	Dec 5	Dec 12	Dec 19	Dec 26	Jan 2	Jan 9	Jan 16	Jan 23	Jan 30	Feb 6	Feb 13	Feb 20	Feb 27	Mar 5	Mar 12	Mar 19	Mar 26	Apr 2	Apr 9	Apr 16	Apr 23	Apr 30	May 6	May 13	May 20	May 27	Jun 3	Jun 10	Jun 17	Jun 24	Jul 1	Jul 8	Jul 15	Jul 22	Jul 29	Aug 5	Aug 12	Aug 19	Aug 26	Sep 2	Sep 9	Sep 16	Sep 23	Sep 30	Oct 6	Oct 13	Oct 20	Oct 27	Nov 3	Nov 10	Nov 17	Nov 24	Dec 1	Dec 8	Dec 15	Dec 22	Dec 29	Jan 5	Jan 12	Jan 19	Jan 26	Feb 2	Feb 9	Feb 16	Feb 23	Feb 30	Mar 6	Mar 13	Mar 20	Mar 27	Apr 3	Apr 10	Apr 17	Apr 24	Apr 30	May 7	May 14	May 21	May 28	Jun 4	Jun 11	Jun 18	Jun 25	Jul 2	Jul 9	Jul 16	Jul 23	Jul 30	Aug 6	Aug 13	Aug 20	Aug 27	Sep 3	Sep 10	Sep 17	Sep 24	Oct 1	Oct 8	Oct 15	Oct 22	Oct 29	Nov 5	Nov 12	Nov 19	Nov 26	Dec 3	Dec 10	Dec 17	Dec 24	Dec 31	Jan 7	Jan 14	Jan 21	Jan 28	Feb 4	Feb 11	Feb 18	Feb 25	Mar 3	Mar 10	Mar 17	Mar 24	Mar 31	Apr 7	Apr 14	Apr 21	Apr 28	May 5	May 12	May 19	May 26	Jun 2	Jun 9	Jun 16	Jun 23	Jun 30	Jul 7	Jul 14	Jul 21	Jul 28	Aug 4	Aug 11	Aug 18	Aug 25	Aug 31	Sep 7	Sep 14	Sep 21	Sep 28	Oct 5	Oct 12	Oct 19	Oct 26	Nov 2	Nov 9	Nov 16	Nov 23	Nov 30	Dec 6	Dec 13	Dec 20	Dec 27	Jan 3	Jan 10	Jan 17	Jan 24	Jan 31	Feb 7	Feb 14	Feb 21	Feb 28	Mar 5	Mar 12	Mar 19	Mar 26	Apr 2	Apr 9	Apr 16	Apr 23	Apr 30	May 6	May 13	May 20	May 27	Jun 3	Jun 10	Jun 17	Jun 24	Jul 1	Jul 8	Jul 15	Jul 22	Jul 29	Aug 5	Aug 12	Aug 19	Aug 26	Aug 31	Sep 7	Sep 14	Sep 21	Sep 28	Oct 5	Oct 12	Oct 19	Oct 26	Nov 2	Nov 9	Nov 16	Nov 23	Nov 30	Dec 6	Dec 13	Dec 20	Dec 27	Jan 3	Jan 10	Jan 17	Jan 24	Jan 31	Feb 7	Feb 14	Feb 21	Feb 28	Mar 5	Mar 12	Mar 19	Mar 26	Apr 2	Apr 9	Apr 16	Apr 23	Apr 30	May 6	May 13	May 20	May 27	Jun 3	Jun 10	Jun 17	Jun 24	Jul 1	Jul 8	Jul 15	Jul 22	Jul 29	Aug 5	Aug 12	Aug 19	Aug 26	Aug 31	Sep 7	Sep
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Cheating The Workers

Nine Months For
False Pretences.

"I think I ought to take a very serious view of this kind of offence now that business in Hongkong is not very good and so many are unemployed. You take this opportunity to cheat the poor workers," said Mr. K. Y. Yung, magistrate, at Kowloon this morning, when sentencing Leung Kwan, 39, to nine months on charges of obtaining money by false pretences.

Detective Sub-Inspector C. Y. Siu said defendant obtained a total of \$325 from several workers by pretending that he could obtain employment for them in North Borneo.

Defendant was a clansman of a 60-year-old woman herbalist, Leung Lor. He approached her some time last year and said he was in a position to get work for her in North Borneo and asked her to spread the news. As a result, a worker, Mok Kim, gave him \$50 on December 20 last with the understanding that Mok and another man were to be found work in North Borneo.

Mok paid another \$70 on behalf of three fellow workers for the same reason on February 15. A month later, Mok gave another \$130 to defendant on behalf of six workers.

There were six other complainants in the case. Defendant had spent all the money.

Short Of Life Jackets

For carrying insufficient life-saving jackets, Lai Fook, 42, licensee of motor fishing junk M140F, was fined \$25 by Mr. T. B. Low at the Marine Court this morning.

Sub-Inspector Kong Sai-lun stated that defendant's vessel was intercepted in Kowloon Bay yesterday while on route to Chukwiling. On board the vessel were found 12 life-saving jackets as stipulated in the licence, but four of them had deteriorated.

Fu Yung-chiu, 36, licensee of motor launch M421, was also fined \$25 for being short of one fire extinguisher. According to Insp Kong, when the launch was intercepted in Kowloon Bay yesterday one of the five fire extinguishers aboard was found to be unserviceable.

Caldbeck, Macgregor, Co., Meeting

No Visible Signs Of Slump In HK Says Chairman

So far as Caldbeck, Macgregor & Co., Ltd., were concerned there were no visible signs in Hongkong of a business slump, said Mr. J. F. Macgregor when he presided at the annual meeting of the company this morning.

But in Shanghai there was a different story, he revealed, and it was the intention to close down the Shanghai branch as soon as permission was obtained from the People's Government of China to do so.

A dividend of three shillings per share and a bonus of one shilling a share were declared.

Addressing the meeting, Mr. Macgregor said:

I regret I have no further information to give you regarding our Shanghai Branch. It is our intention to close it down as soon as permission has been received from the People's Government to do so. In the meantime Mr. Kelly has not yet been given his exit visa. He and the skeleton staff of five, whom we took on again temporarily after they had received their allotment of severance pay, are still on our payroll. But no useful purpose can be served by our remaining any longer in China. We are not allowed to trade and we are not allowed to import. We hope in the near future to be able to sell off our remaining stocks, on which in January 1952 we were called upon to pay a 20% Monopoly Tax, and shall then terminate the services of the skeleton staff.

We shall still, of course, have to pay Mr. Kelly his remuneration for which we have made provision in these Accounts but it continues to be dead loss to the Company until such time as he is given permission to leave China. We sincerely hope that the People's Government may soon decide to grant him his exit visa as he is getting on in years, as he is in good health and is overdue for retirement.

At our other branches in the Far East trading during the year showed a general all round improvement.

In Singapore and Malaya this was partly due to the increase in price of Rubber and Tin. The fact that these prices have lately shown a decline must, we fear, have an eventual effect on our future sales, although we are happy to say that so far this year they have kept up surprisingly well. Towards the end of the year we received information that the balance of our claims on our War Risk Insurance Policies has been assessed at \$1,000,000 out of which it is anticipated that a final settlement of 70% of this amount will be paid. There is no further news about our War Damage Claims mainly in

connection with our office building in Singapore but our lawyers there are continuing to press for a settlement.

In Hongkong too as yet there are no visible signs in our business of the slump we have heard talked about. In our 88 years of Trading in the Far East the business barometer has naturally had its ups and downs and will no doubt continue to do so, but we have never lost the optimistic outlook, which we still hold. Overhead expenses at all our branches are inevitably higher and it is our policy to keep our staff as happy and contented as we can possibly afford.

In Java where our Subsidiary Company of Caldbeck Macgregor Ltd. is operating we are still able to do a reasonable amount of business which is done direct to our buyers in London. Unfortunately during the year the International Exchange market, which we trust that the bottom has been reached and we hope for a higher stabilization in the future. In the meantime our Assets there, including the Reserve for the Company, have been written down to the current rate of exchange and are further taken care of in the Exchange Fluctuation Reserve Account.

In East Africa we have acquired the controlling interest in Jardine Ltd., as forementioned in my speech last year. We have now made the share capital. We have also bought our office building in Nairobi and a house for the Director. These transactions are not fully reflected in these Accounts as the Reserve for the Company is not yet completed until after the year-end. We made a branch of Jardine Ltd. at Dar-es-Salaam in December last. It still too early to express a definite opinion of the future of our business in these areas. We have no doubt that we will be disatisfied with the progress made in these early stages.

THE ACCOUNTS
Turning to the Accounts themselves, after allowing for all Branch Office Expenses, Depreciation, Interest, and Doubtful Debts Reserve, the net profit for the year ended December 31, 1951, was £67,537-4. After deducting the General Reserve, the amount transferred to Profit and Loss Appropriation Account was £80,792-3.

The Balance of Profit & Loss Appropriation Account including the sum of £6,700-11-2 brought forward from the previous year and a sum of £1,238-10-11 for Pre-War Debts recovered and Malayan War Loss Claims, is £88,731-17-0. The Directors' recommendations regarding this have been circulated to our Shareholders and include the declaration of a dividend of 3/- per share and a bonus of 1/- per share, free of tax. They also include the payment of a bonus to Branch Managers and Staffs of £1,000 to the Head Office, making £1,750 in all. This figure is higher this year because of the satisfactory results shown and in accordance with the opinion of your Directors that it is well deserved.

REMUNERATION
Mr. Marden seconded the adoption of the report and accounts, after which the Chairman said:

I now wish to refer to the remuneration of the General Managers. This remuneration, which has remained unchanged since the 1st January 1947 as authorized under Article 43 of the Company's Articles of Association, is £10,000 per annum and (b) 5% of the annual net profits of the Company. In 1947 and 1950 the total remuneration derived from these two sources proved insufficient to cover the General Manager's overhead expenses and as they were only covered by the increase in the Commission which is a variable factor. Since the beginning of this year, because of our continued expansion, it has been found necessary to re-evaluate the position of the General Manager. This constitutes an additional charge on the remuneration under para (a) as from the 1st January 1952 of £5,000 making this £15,000 per annum. The Commission remaining unchanged.

The Resolution which I now beg to propose is as follows:—That the remuneration of the General Managers be from 1st January 1952 be:—(a) A Sterling payment of £15,000 per annum and (b) 5% of the annual net profits of the Company. This was seconded by Colonel H. H. Dowling, O.B.E., and passed.

Ivor Novello Memorial



The bust of Ivor Novello which was unveiled at the Theatre Royal, Drury Lane, last week by Dame Sybil Thorndyke in the presence of many stars who were associated with the late actor-playwright. It was at Drury Lane that so many of his famous musicals were produced. — Central Press Photo.

Compulsory Service Tribunal Hearings

Tong Pak-wing, aged 26, owner of the Sing Kee import and export business, told the Compulsory Service Tribunal this morning at the Supreme Court that a fortnight's camp would interfere with his income. He appealed against posting to the Royal Hongkong Defence Force. The appeal was not allowed.

The Tribunal comprised Mr. Justice Gould, Mr. John McNeill, QC, and Mr. Ho Siu-um. Tong, in the witness-box, stated that he lived at 49A Elgin Street, second floor. He was unmarried and contributed half towards the household expenses. His father was a cashier but did not earn very much and he had a brother in Japan but had to maintain him as well. His younger brother had helped him in his business during the past five months but was not experienced enough to carry on in his (witness's) absence. His brother had not been called up for service because he was not Hongkong born.

Dismissing the appeal, the Tribunal urged Tong to make extra efforts between now and the November camp to train his brother in the business.

MEDICAL PLEA
Leung Tse-ku, of 17, King Kwong Street, an outdoor salesman of Alex Ross and Co. Ltd., appealed against assignment to the Defence Force on Medical grounds.

Leung declared that he had an operation for appendicitis in 1949 and another for hernia in July last year at St. Paul's Hospital.

Mr. Justice Gould: Do you feel any effects after the operation for hernia?

Leung: I cannot walk very fast.

You have to do a good deal of walking in your job. But I do not have to walk fast. I do not feel pain if I walk at ordinary pace.

Replying to the Tribunal, Leung said that the medical board did not examine his scars. Mr. Justice Gould: Frankly I find it very difficult to believe, from a report of this kind, that no doctor looked at your abdomen.

Leung: There were about four doctors.

DOCTORS' ADVICE
He was shown a diagram of the two scars drawn by one of the doctors, but Leung claimed he was not asked about them.

Leung added that after he left St. Paul's Hospital last year he was told by his doctor not to undertake any heavy burden. Mr. McNeill: You mean for the rest of your life?

Leung: Yes.

The Chairman decided to adjourn the case to Monday at 9.45 a.m. and directed Leung to be examined again by a doctor

and to produce his certificate at the next hearing.

Earlier, Mr. Justice Gould sat with Mr. D. L. Strellett and Mr. Ho Min-nung and gave decisions in several cases which had been adjourned for medical re-examination.

The results were:
Fung Shing, senior clerk in the Belgian Bank—unit for the Defence Force and transferred to the Colonial Secretariat clerk—fit for service in Defence Force; appeal dismissed.
Lam Ho-fai—unit for service in Defence Force; transferred to ESC.
Lee Wai-sai, of 211, Wanchai Road—unit for service in Defence Force; transferred to ESC.
Hean An Arcull—special medical board recommended service in the ESC.
Fok Man-hay—found medically fit for Defence Force; appeal dismissed.
Au Kwong-shut—not fit for Defence Force service; transferred to ESC.
Ho Kam-moon—found medically fit for Defence Force; appeal not allowed.

Fails To Win Divorce

A divorce petition by Australian-born Dr. Lindsay Tasmann Rice, Vice-Chancellor of Hong Kong University, was dismissed here today by Mr. Commissioner Rowles, who said he had no jurisdiction to try it.

Dr. Rice had contended he had acquired an English domicile of choice, but his wife, Mrs. M. S. L. Rice, claimed he was of Australian domicile.

The Commissioner said Dr. Rice came to England in 1924 as a Rhodes scholar. Four years later he went to Hongkong University.

"It may be that during the whole of the time he has been in Hongkong he has had at the back of his mind a desire to obtain a post in England, but I do not think he has ever really made up his mind to do so," Mr. Commissioner Rowles said.

"In these circumstances I am not satisfied he has acquired any domicile other than his domicile of origin," Mr. Rowles said.

The statement of claim was clear, Mr. Clifford said, and defendant was not and never had been a partner of the plaintiff firm. The defence reply was that the whole of the claim was denied. Counsel submitted that in this case the proper procedure of the Court was to accept that this was evasive denial and therefore an admission.

Poultry Laan Partnership Dispute Ends In Court

A partnership dispute in a poultry laan was heard by the Senior Puisne Judge, Mr. Justice Williams, in the Supreme Court this morning.

Plaintiffs were the Luen Hing Lung Wing Kee Poultry Laan, Stalls Nos. 22-23, Waterloo Road, and they were represented by Mr. A. J. Clifford, instructed by Mr. Y. H. Chan.

Lau Chi-hang, alias Lau Piu, c/o The Sze Hop Poultry Stall No. 19, Central Market, was the defendant and he was represented by the Hon. Leo d'Almada, QC, and Mr. Brook A. Bernacchi, both instructed by Mr. P. C. Woo.

The statement of claim stated inter alia:

The firm is a partnership consisting in November, 1945, by and in pursuance of an agreement in writing. They carry on business as poultry dealers at Stalls Nos. 22-23, Waterloo Road, Kowloon. Defendant is not and has never been a partner of the firm. By a letter dated November 30, 1949, defendant wrongly claimed and still claims that he has a right to have his name inserted in the Food Shop Licence of the said Laan. Defendant wrongly claimed and claims the right to have his name inserted in the Poultry Laan lease.

On or about March 27, 1949, the Urban Council, upon application by the defendant and under protest by the plaintiffs, inserted the name of the defendant in the licence pending legal settlement or the institution of legal proceedings. On March 4, 1949, on prior application by defendant and under protest by the plaintiffs, the Urban Council inserted the name of the defendant in the Poultry Laan's lease.

The plaintiffs claim: That the defendant has no right to have his name inserted in the said Licence or Lease and that the defendant has no right or interest whatsoever in the Laan and is not entitled to any payment of salary, bonus, perquisites or otherwise.

THE DEFENCE
The statement of defence stated inter alia:

Defendant is or was a partner of the Luen Hing Lung Poultry Laan of Stalls Nos. 22-23 Waterloo Road. In 1945 it was decided to wind up the business. A meeting was held on October 21, 1945, in the offices of Mr. Alfred Hon, solicitor. At the meeting the defendant was offered and purchased from the partnership the goodwill of the business. At no time were the premises disposed of. By correspondence between defendant and Chan Chiu-ling and Ho Sun, two of the partners of the plaintiff firm, it was agreed in January, 1946, that Chan Chiu-ling and Ho Sun should apply for the renewal of the Food Shop Licence, the defendant to be paid certain monthly sums. It was further agreed that these two persons should apply for a renewal of the Lease of the premises; for which purpose the defendant handed to Chan Chiu-ling a number of documents relating to the Laan and included the pre-war Licence and the Lease in respect of the premises. It was agreed that the defendant's name should appear both as a licensee and lessee. At the time of obtaining the Licence and Lease, it was expressly agreed with the Urban Council that the defendant's name should thereafter be added, and was so added. Defendant will object that any claim of the Lease or Licence on behalf of any Laan to which defendant is not a partner is a fraud on the defendant and on the Urban Council, the Chairman thereof and the Government of Hongkong.

COUNTER-CLAIM
A counter-claim by defendant stated that by virtue of the agreement in January, 1946, it was agreed that defendant be paid the following sums:

Term salary \$20 per month; term haircutting money, \$2 per month; perquisites—one share—\$250 per month approximately. These sums have not been paid since December 30, 1948, and there is now outstanding the sum of \$4,000.

Opening for the plaintiffs, Mr. Clifford said that the plaintiffs were the Luen Hing Lung Wing Kee Poultry Laan, particular stress being placed on the Wing Kee because it was their case that this was a totally different partnership to the one existing before the war.

Counsel said that defendant's case on this point was still obscure. On the pleadings he had admitted he was not a partner and because of a vague or evasive denial such pleading, he submitted, should be treated by the Court as an admission. The statement of claim was clear, Mr. Clifford said, and defendant was not and never had been a partner of the plaintiff firm. The defence reply was that the whole of the claim was denied. Counsel submitted that in this case the proper procedure of the Court was to accept that this was evasive denial and therefore an admission.

The case is continuing.

Radio Hongkong

H.K.T. Programme Summary: 6.02, Children's Hour—'Toy Town' by S.G. Hume Beaman (BBC); 6.30, 'Enchanted Air'; 6.30, Songs of Wales; 7.00, Variety Requests presented by Margaret; 7.00, Weather Report; 8.00, Time Signal; 8.00, News and News Talk (London Relay); 8.15, Frank Cordell and his Orchestra with Chorus; 8.30, Orchestra; 9.00, Short Recital by Dennis Noble (Baritone); 9.15, Andre Kostelanetz and his Orchestra; 9.30, World Theatre; 10.00, News (BBC); 10.15, Radio News Reel (London Relay); 11.00, Goodnight Music; 11.20, Weather Report; 11.30, Save The Queen; 11.30, Close Down.

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"Now will you show me one about your size—for my husband?"

Living Language

Why we say A rift in the lute.

A "rift" comes fairly obviously from "rive" meaning to cleave or split, but the word "lute" does not here mean the musical instrument. It comes from the Latin "lutum" meaning clay and "lute" was the name once given to a special compound for sealing furnaces or re-torts. Where there was a "rift in the lute" gases began to escape and the work was ruined. So now the phrase means the first evidence of a break in friendship.

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If there are 5 balls in all, of which 4 are white, we have:
4 white balls = 4 x 10 = 40
1 red ball = 1 x 10 = 10
A moment's consideration will show that n = 10, m = 40
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